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NOTIFICATION No. 5072

ANNUAL MEETING OF RATEPAYERS

Resolutions.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the following Resolutions will be brought forward at the Annual Meeting of Ratepayers to be held in the Grand Theatre, on Wednesday, April 19, 1939, at 2.30 p.m.

Resolutions I, II and III.—Appointment of Chairman and Secretary and Adoption of Rules of Procedure.

Resolution IV.—Election of a Land Commissioner for the ensuing year.
Proposer: Mr. H. S. Poulsen.
Seconder: Mr. E. Trock.
That Mr. Erik Crone be elected a Land Commissioner for the ensuing year.

Resolution V.—Election of four Governors of the General Hospital for the ensuing year.
That Messrs. A. C. Cornish and G. A. Haley and Drs. T. B. Dunn and W. S. Parsons be elected to serve on the Board of Governors of the Shanghai General Hospital for the ensuing year.

Resolution VI.—That the Report and Accounts for the year ended December 31, 1938, be passed.

Resolution VII.—That the estimated expenditure for the year 1939 contained in the Budget proposed by the retiring Council together with the recommendations attached thereto be approved and adopted and that the Council be hereby authorized to impose collect and recover the rates taxes dues and fees recommended therein and to raise should it be considered expedient to do so upon such terms and in such manner as the Council may in its discretion think fit a sum not exceeding $12,000,000 or the equivalent thereof for the purpose defined in the estimate of Extraordinary Expenditure.

Ratepayers intending to ask questions in regard to the Accounts or other matters connected with the foregoing Resolutions are requested to give notice of such intention at least 24 hours before the meeting.

Ratepayers desirous of bringing forward additional motions or of nominating duly qualified persons willing to serve under Resolutions IV and V are required to give notice thereof to the undersigned before 4 p.m. on April 11, for due publication.

By order,
G. GODFREY PHILLIPS,
Secretary.

COUNCIL CHAMBER,
Shanghai, April 6, 1939.
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BRITISH CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

The twenty-fourth Annual General Meeting of the British Chamber of Commerce, Shanghai, will be held at the offices of the Chamber, 27 The Bund (5th Floor) on Thursday, April 13, 1939, at 5.15 p.m.

By Order of the Committee,
H. F. BAKER, *Secretary.*

CHINA ASSOCIATION

The Annual General Meeting of the China Association (Shanghai Branch) will be held at the offices of the Association, 27 The Bund (5th Floor) on Thursday, April 13, 1939, at 5.15 p.m.

By Order of the Committee,
H. F. BAKER, *Secretary.*
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THE CHINA GENERAL OMNIBUS CO., LTD.

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the SIXTEENTH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF THE CHINA GENERAL OMNIBUS COMPANY LTD., will be held at the Offices of the General Managers of the Company, Sassoon House, at 4 p.m. on Thursday, April 20, 1939, for the following purposes, namely:

(a) To receive the report of the Directors and Statement of Accounts for the year ended December 31, 1938.
(b) To declare a final Dividend.
(c) To elect Directors.
(d) To appoint Auditors and to fix their remuneration.
(e) To transact any other ordinary business of the Company.

The Transfer Books will be closed from April 14 to April 20, 1939 (both days inclusive).

Proxies to be valid must be lodged at the Company's office not less than 48 hours before the holding of the Meeting.

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R. G. CURRIE, *Secretary.*

Shanghai, April 6, 1939. 12024

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To-day's Events

APRIL

11 Cathedral Boys' School Gymkhana, Ascot Riding School, 2.30
11 Anzac Society, Special gen. meeting
11 A.W.C. Literary Dept. meeting, 4.45
11 Interport Dance, Race Club, 9.30
11 Gibraltar ceded to Britain (1713)
11 Jung Lu, Grand Councillor to Empress Dowager, died (1903)

Coming Events

APRIL

12 Ministering Children's League Bridge and Mahjongg at 85 Ferry Road, 3
12 Annual Meeting of Subscribers of the Holy Trinity Cathedral, 5.30
12 Scouters mtg., 3rd Floor, Foreign Y, 5.30
12 Theosophical Society, 75 Jessfield Road, Public Lecture, 6
12 Piano-Recital by Hans Baer, A.W.C.
13 Rotary Club, Metropole Hotel, 12.30
13 S.S.P.C.A. ann. gen. mtg., Beck & Swann, 17 Bund, 5.15
13 British Chamber of Commerce annual general meeting, 27 Bund, 5.15
13 China Association (S'hai Branch) annual general meeting, 27 Bund, 5.15
13 'Chardash Princess,' by E. Kalman, Light Opera with K. Orlovskaya, Lyc., 8.45
14 Bateman-King, 'Through the Looking Glass,' Lyceum, 5.30
14 B.U.S.C. Supper Dance, W'ter G'den, 8
15 Bateman-King, 'Through the Looking Glass,' Lyceum, 3
15 Dinner Dance, Floorshow, C.S.F., 8.30
15 'Chardash Princess,' Light Opera, Lyc., 8.45
16 Russian Philatelic Society Spring Bazaar and Exhibition, B.F.R.C., 10-8
16 Municipal Orchestra Symphony Concert, Lyceum, 5.15
16 'Chardash Princess,' Light Opera, Lyc., 8.45
16 A.T.A. presents 'Whose Money,' 'The Eve in Evelyn,' 'A Flower of Yeddo,' at Shanghai Jewish School, 9
17 Cradle Bridge/Mahjongg, Y.M.C.A., 3
17 Engineering Society Meeting, 5.45
18 A.W.C. Musical Prog. Dupont, 4.45
18 Lester Chinese Hospital, Annual Meeting of Subscribers, 5.30
18 A.D.C. 'Room for Two,' Lyc., 9.15
19 British Scouts Association Members' Social, B.F.R.C., 8
19 Violin-Recital by Prof. Wittenberg, American Women's Club, 9
19 A.D.C. 'Room for Two,' Lyc., 9.15
20 Rotary Club, Metropole Hotel, 12.15
20 B.U.S.C., 'Chemical Therapy,' by L. H. Barton, Esq., 114 Peking Rd., 6
20 Concert, Community Church, 9
20 A.D.C. 'Room for Two,' Lyc., 9.15
21 Dramatic Entertainment by P.T.H.S. for Girls
21 'St. George's Ball, C.S.F., 9.30
22 'St. George's Children's Party, Country Club, 4
22 A.D.C. 'Room for Two,' Lyc., 9.15
23 'Svengali,' (Trilby), Lyc. Theatre, 9
24 Signals Coy., S.V.C., Annual Dinner and Dance, 7.30
25 A.W.C. Bridge and Mahjongg, 3
27 Rotary Club, Metropole Hotel, 12.30
27 K.D.S. Bridge/Mahjongg Tea, Race Club, entrance Mohawk Road, 3
28 B.U.S.C. Annual Meeting at Park Hotel
28 Nordisk Fest Cercle Sportif Francais 8
28 American Junior Chamber of Commerce Dinner Dance, 9
30 St. Andrew's v. St. George's Soc., Golf Match

MAY

4 Le Ballet Russe, gala performance of 'The Sleeping Beauty,' symphonic ballet music by Tschaikowsky, Lyc., 9
5 Shanghai Camera Club Meeting and Lecture, 330 Szechuen Road, 9
6 Ballet Russe, 'Sleeping Beauty,' Lyc.
7 Ballet Russe, 'Sleeping Beauty,' Lyc.
11 B.W.A. Gardening Club Day, 4

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CERCLE SPORTIF FRANCAIS

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING 1939

The Annual General Meeting of Members of the Cercle Sportif Francais will be held in the Club House on Friday, April 28, 1939 at 6 p.m.

BUSINESS:

Passing of the accounts for 1938
Election of the various Committees
Alterations to rules
General Business:
a/Construction of Bowling alleys
b/Construction of Squash Courts
c/Lounge accommodation on the Ground floor
d/Corresponding increase of monthly subscriptions

Members desirous of bringing forward a resolution on any special matter should send the same in writing to the Secretary at least seven days before the Meeting. (Rule 31).

Members wishing to serve on a Committee are requested to send in their application to the Secretary as much as possible before April 21 and to mention the Committee which they wish to join.

As a result of Rule 27 only the names of Members requesting so by letter will be put on the lists of the various Sub-Committees.

H. A. ANETTE
Pour le Comité et par Ordre
Le Secrétaire

Shanghai, April 11, 1939.
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The Transfer Books and Share Register of the Company will be closed from April 7 to April 14, 1939, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
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Secretaries and General Managers.
Shanghai, April 3, 1939.
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The Transfer Books and Share Register of the Company will be closed from April 7 to April 14, 1939, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
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The Transfer Books and Share Register of the Company will be closed from April 12 to April 19, 1939, both days inclusive.

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Coronation Fund; Cathedral Boys' Playing Field

To the Editor of the
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SIR,—Having recently made a considerable disbursement for the purchase of Mow 11.693 land with frontage on to Keswick Road for the purpose of providing a playing field for the Cathedral Boys' School Henry Lester Endowment, we have thought the time opportune to publish a complete list of donors to the Fund together with a statement of account to date compiled by the Hon. Treasurers to the Fund, Messrs. Thomson & Co. This statement appears in the annual report of the Cathedral, but as some who are interested in the Fund may not see that report we have had extra copies taken of the part pertaining to this Fund and anyone concerned may obtain a copy by applying to the Hon. Treasurers or to either of the undersigned.

We shall shortly have to make further disbursements for fencing, levelling, draining and turfing, also for a changing hut for the use of players.

It is hoped that the ground will be available for use in the autumn. It must be realized that the site acquired does not provide anything like adequate playing fields for the School, but it is a nucleus.

R. CALDER MARSHALL.
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Trustees of the Coronation Memorial Fund.

Shanghai, Apr. 5.

Speeding: Bus Passenger's Experience

To the Editor of the
"NORTH-CHINA DAILY NEWS"

SIR,—Owner Driver's letter to you this morning leads me to come in line with his protest against speeding of bulky vehicles, but, in another instance the alternative to make the China General Omnibus Company hear my protest is through the "North-China Daily News" because they did not improve matters in their disciplinary action against the behaviour of drivers and conductors in their employ. My protests have always been of no avail and patience is now beyond the limit.

Bus drivers on the No. 7 Route between Avenue Joffre Terminal and St. George's and buses No. 1 and 9 Route between Jessfield Park Terminal and St. George's always satisfy their mania for thunderbolt speed by ignoring the intending passengers' signal to halt at the first section from the terminal. I instanced this complaint to the inspectors in their Ticket Office at St. George's several times and, in writing my report with name and address, they promised to amend the matter. But now it seems to me they have not improved matters in any way whatever, for yesterday at 2.30. p.m. I, with other intending passengers for St. George's, saw Bus. No. 15112 coming at a rather alarming speed and, in spite of our frantic signal to halt, it brushed us aside with a gust of wind and sped off—much to our indignation. For this I decided to stand in the way of the next bus coming and with my arms on an even plane, it abruptly halted, the driver was not in good temper, abusive and angry, but the conductor refused to open the door for us to get on but urged the driver to go ahead leaving us to wait for the next third. All those buses that sped by were hardly full and often had plenty of room to receive more passengers.

The next third arrived and at last we struggled to get on. I handed in my written report, with my name and address given, to a tall youngish inspector who got on from another section, for transmission to his superior, but it was a passing glance to him because he handed it back to me with a smile! I tried this letter in my plainest English because it is hard to get in touch with the management concerned through inspectors. I desire, and in the interest of all passengers in the city, that we be given every consideration by improving the behaviour of their bus drivers and conductors in question.

HAIG COURT.

Shanghai, Apr. 9.

Reformed Driver

To the Editor of the
"NORTH-CHINA DAILY NEWS"

SIR,—A month ago I found that my car driver was getting into the habit of driving on "horn and brakes." I then told him to drive at a maximum speed of 20.m.p.h. and not to sound the horn except in real emergency.

The result has surprised me and my driver. I have almost forgotten the note of the horn. I may lose two or three minutes between the Bund and Jessfield Park but I am more than compensated by the feeling of security.

If you find any difficulty in believing this story I shall be very pleased to arrange a trip for one of your staff at any time on any regular route in Shanghai.

VERAX.

Shanghai, Apr. 10.

A World War: Can it be Avoided?

To the Editor of the
"NORTH-CHINA DAILY NEWS"

SIR,—Your recent editorials are very enlightening, which a humble subscriber like myself must appreciate. It is quite obvious what may soon happen to this poor world, in view of what we have heard spoken and what we have seen done by certain leaders of nations who believe in and apply the doctrine that "might is right." Militarization is now the mode of life, the task of government and the pride of leadership with the so-called Great Powers. Can a world war be avoided much longer? Isn't it a matter of fact that the war has already started here and there and only public opinion or united effort of democracy prevents it spreading?

What puzzles me is that Italy is still playing so hard in the game of expansion on the pagan side. What can she really gain out of the Far Eastern "new order"? Out of the "new order" in Central Europe—Eastern Europe—or South-eastern Europe? Isn't it possible to take Austria as the past empire a good lesson? Geographically and economically Italy is in danger. If England and France become weak, then Italy must suffer more, not to say that she may gain thereby anything vital. If, on the other hand, Germany and Japan become stronger, where may Italy stand? Suppose, again, Russia becomes hopelessly crushed, can Italy alone resist Germany or Japan?

And what amazes me is that the wealthy or ruling class of people in Great Britain, in France and in America still harp on the approach or spread of communism. Can the axis of expansion be satisfied at the expense of minor powers everywhere or anywhere? And if the so-called "have-nots" become thereby "haves" or even "plentifuls," what may follow? Can the democratic "empires" prosper or even remain secure?

Individually a democrat or a mere citizen cannot be better off in the face of or under militarism than communism. The latter demands the surrender of property, but the former demands even the surrender of soul. Militarism either "offensive" or "defensive" must place all individuals before and under the war machines much more violently and rigidly than communism. And now, not communism, but militarism is marching against us individuals as well as nations democratic. Besides, militaristic "leaders" are practising not only communism, but cannibalism now. To argue for or against pacifism is too late. What is imperatively urgent is: how are we to deal effectively with the danger or invasion of militarism as it is in Europe and Asia?

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Shanghai, Apr. 10.

Brenan Rd. Fire: Unauthorized Erections

To the Editor of the
"NORTH-CHINA DAILY NEWS"

SIR,—Will you kindly let me have some space in your columns in connection with the huge fire some days ago in Brenan Road, though I am not among the unfortunates concerned in the fire nor an officer of the Council concerned. The element of conflagration has always had to be reckoned with in the already overcrowded Chinese residential area, and flimsy rooms are often built within their houses and in the rear kitchen rooms in order to extend their space to let to more tenants and collect exorbitant rentals from the poor refugees who come from the war zone. All these have to cook their food in their respective rooms. These private constructions and other frail structures have appeared in all directions in the various streets of the Chinese residential area where Chinese-type houses are situated.

I hope that the Council authorities concerned will form a squad to despatch everywhere to investigate the unauthorized constructions within the jurisdiction of the Council in order to prevent further incidents.

PROPOSER.

Shanghai, Apr. 10.

House Rents: Dictators and Landlords

To the Editor of the
"NORTH-CHINA DAILY NEWS"

SIR,—Emerging from the solitude where we had sought refuge from the high cost of living, higher taxation and still higher rents, we indulged uninterruptedly, during the holidays, in that particular form of delectation which the Mighty Sword and the Almighty Dollar have not been able to invade. And we now send you the result of our reaction to the lamentable incidents that occurred during Lent and Easter Week.

RES NON VERBA

What matters it.....A kingdom more or less!
If monarchs keep on standing in the way
Of our expansion they must rue the day—
Themselves alone to blame for their distress!

Who spake thus to the world Ye well may guess,
For if those very words they did not say
They surely thought so when they made display
Of force so ruthless just to win redress!

Alas! In politics morality
Is like unto the landlords' policy,
Pouncing upon their victims unawares
Despite their helpless plight and gnawing cares.

And why should Councils even legislate
When they too profit by the higher rate?

JACK AND JILL.

Shanghai, April 10.

In Vienna: Mistake Corrected

To the Editor of the
"NORTH-CHINA DAILY NEWS"

SIR,—Kindly permit me to draw your attention to a slight, though misleading error which occurred to the author of the otherwise most interesting and lucid article "Sing With Us, Away, Winter, Away!" in the part headed "In Germany and Vienna."

That part of the grand park *Prater* in Vienna where there are swings, whirligigs and notably puppet shows, is called the *Wurstel-Prater*, Wurstel meaning harlequin or clown.

Obviously the error came about through the Author mistaking the word *Wurstel* for *Wuerstel* the latter really being synonymous for the renowned Vienna Frankfurter Sausages.

So the *Wurstel-Prater* is no Sausage-Prater but in fact a Clown-Prater.

AN AUSTRIAN.

Shanghai, April 6.

BY SAPAJOU

New Odyssey Begins?

Darkest Hour, Just Before Dawn

Broadcast Talk Given by the Rev. P. F. Price Over Station XMHD on Sunday Evening

TEXT.—"*This is your hour and the power of darkness.*" Luke 22.52.

JUST when the phrase, "The darkest hour is just before dawn," began to be applied to human situations, it would be hard to say. It might well go back to that black night of moral and spiritual hopelessness in the city of Jerusalem just before the break of the brightest day in the world's history, the Resurrection Morn.

The forces of unrighteousness had been gathering with cumulative ferocity and were now being hurled against one man, Jesus, the Son of Righteousness. On their side was influence, prestige, organization, self-interest, the demagogue's appeal to patriotism and the certain acquiescence of a time serving Roman governor, who had in his hands the power of life and death. Jesus relied on none of these things. He said, "My Kingdom is not of this world." He forbade His followers to start an insurrection and when one of them, in a burst of devotion to his Master, made a thrust with a sword at one of those who came to arrest Jesus and cut off the man's right ear, Jesus restrained his impetuous friend, healed the wounded man and said to His captors, "This is your hour and the power of darkness."

Their Mad Course

Nothing could stop the rulers in their mad course. Consumed by an unreasonable hatred, they bribed one of Jesus's disciples to betray Him, had Him secretly arrested, arraigned Him before a packed jury, went through with a mock trial, subjected the prisoner to every possible indignity, brought Him before Pilate, the Governor, to secure a death sentence, asked that a well-known robber and murderer might be released in order that Jesus might die in his stead as a malefactor, gladly saw Him subjected to scourging and indignity, followed him with jeers on as He bore His cross on the way to Calvary, mocked Him while in agony on the cross and rejoiced in his death. Then, to make their plan doubly sure, they had Pilate to seal the tomb, lest the disciples come and steal His body and so say that He rose from the dead.

It seemed to be the "perfect crime," the ultimate triumph of might over right. May we in imagination project ourselves back to Jerusalem on that blackest night and see how things looked to those who lived through that unspeakable tragedy.

This then was the end of a good man. Balaam, that inscrutable prophet, in one of his eloquent outbursts, said, "Let me die the death of the righteous and let my last end be like His." What a glorious end Moses had,

"And had he not high honour
The hillside for his pall
To lie in state while angels wait
With stars for tapers tall
And the dark rock-pines like tossing plumes
Over his bier to wave
And God's own hands in that lowly land
To lay him in his grave."

And of Elijah we read: "And it came to pass as they" — Elijah and Elisha — "still went on and talked, that behold, there appeared a chariot of fire and horses of fire which parted them both asunder and Elijah went up by a whirlwind into heaven."

These two greatest Old Testament prophets, who appeared with Jesus during His transfiguration on the mount, had such glorious deaths, but here, the greatest prophet of all, dies as a malefactor on a cross.

He was by popular verdict a good man. He never did a fellow-man an injury. He went about doing good, healing disease, relieving the oppressed, drying tears, speaking words of cheer. He spake as never man spake and his life was as beautiful as His words were wonderful. The disciple who betrayed Him said, "I have sinned in that I have betrayed innocent blood." Pilate who condemned Him said, "I find no fault in Him." The centurion, whose soldiers performed the ghastly execution, said "Certainly this was a righteous man."

Most Horrible Death

Here then was the end of a good man. The best man that ever breathed died a most horrible death. The purest man that ever walked the earth died the death of the vilest malefactor of His day. Had God forgotten to be gracious? Had righteousness perished from off the earth? How many troubled hearts there were in Jerusalem on the fateful Sabbath Day when Jesus lay silent and helpless in the tomb, His voice apparently stilled for ever, with no written record of what He had said, and His disciples scattered, dispirited and leaderless. It was indeed the power of an apparently impenetrable darkness.

Yearned Over the People

This then was the ultimate triumph of the forces of injustice. Jesus had yearned over the people. He once wept over Jerusalem, "How often would I have gathered thy children together as a hen gathered her chickens under her own wings and ye would not." How He pleaded with the people, "If any man thirst let him come unto me and drink." And to those who held aloof He said, "You will not come unto me that you might have life." He mingled with the poor. The common people heard Him gladly. He was no respecter of persons. He accepted invitations to the homes alike of the poor and of the well to do. His most famous saying was in a personal interview with one of the rulers. His tenderest words were to a stricken mother. He loved little children. Great crowds followed Him and in one outburst of popular acclaim He was accompanied in triumph as He entered the Holy City.

But in His preaching He had to denounce vested interests, formality and hypocrisy. And those who loved the sins that He denounced decreed that He must die. Look at them. Annas, high priest emeritus, an evil genius holding high spiritual office; Caiphas, his son-in-law and tool, advocating the death of Jesus under the guise of prophecy; the Pharisees, who robbed widow's houses and for a pretense made long prayers, having the majority vote in the Sanhedrim.

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WORLD RADIO

The following table shows the Shanghai times at which news is broadcast in the principal countries of the world, together with the wave lengths and frequencies used. We shall be glad to receive comment or suggestions from listeners, which should be addressed or telephoned to the Radio Editor of the "North-China Daily News" (Tel. 11055). The times, given in the first column, are all between noon and midnight.

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6.45 Music Hall and BBC orchestra
9.15 News
9.45 Sports news and markets
10.30 Racquets championship commentary
12.00 News

PARIS		
700	19.68	15.24
ROME		
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12.30— 2.15— 7.00	31.49	9.52
11.00	31.40	9.52

Seventy Years Ago

FROM THE "NORTH-CHINA DAILY NEWS" OF APRIL 11, 1869

Sir Rutherford Alcock has evidently got tired of interposing himself as a buffer between China merchants and the Home Government, and has determined to set forth the actual position of affairs, that people may know where blame for our present inert policy should really fall. And it is a very wise resolve. His previous mistake, of treating his countrymen in China as unruly school-boys, whom it was his special duty to lecuture and restrain, could not fail to excite antagonism where a good understanding is essential. It is quite unnecessary that H.M. Representative at Peking should accept odium for a policy which is really that of his superiors. He is obliged to carry it out but he may quite well show that he does so under compulsion, and not of his own motion. A Minister holding a position so peculiar, in many respects, as Sir Rutherford, needs the full confiuence and support of his countrymen; and this is only to be gained by frank and cordial intercourse, not by scolding and repression. Sir Rutherford seems, now, to have appreciated these facts, and the tone of his last two despatches will go far to conciliate public sympathy.

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THE BOOK PAGE

New Fiction

It is difficult to know just how to label Mr. Mirko Jelusich's **"Oliver Cromwell"** (Translated by Eileen R. Taylor. Massie, London. 8/6). It is not strictly speaking a biography, nor is it exactly an ordinary novel. It is more in the nature of a historical novel, but it does not deal in more than a somewhat cursory manner with events of the utmost importance which occurred during the period covered, namely the beginning of the Rebellion to Cromwell's death in 1658. As the title indicates, the main figure is Oliver Cromwell, and the author has been at no small pains to introduce scenes in which the character and personality of this remarkable man are strongly emphasized, and from which the reader obtains an insight into the workings of his mind and the motive forces which actuated many of his decisions which carried him forward to the tragedy of King Charles's execution and which had such far-reaching results for England. The early part of the book contains a series of thumbnail sketches, very skilfully drawn, of the events which led up to the commencement of the Civil War and the characters of those mainly concerned at that time on the Parliamentary side, namely Pym, Hampden, Cromwell, Strode, Holles, Haselrig and others whose names are well known to history, which provides the reader with a background making the perusal of the book for more interesting than if mere names were used without an indication of the personality behind.

It is clear that the author has allowed himself a certain licence in his description of events and incidents which whilst doubtless having a basis of authenticity might read dryly if not clothed with something in the nature of romantic presentation. It says a good deal for the author's ability as a story-teller that he has been able to make so attractive a narrative whilst at the same time adhering comparatively closely to authenticated historical facts. The opening scene portrays Cromwell in his home in the country at the time when he has just decided to take no further part in "affairs" but to settle down and resume farming as his life's occupation. How, unwillingly, he is dragged back to take the leading part in politics is told with a sympathetic touch, albeit disclosing glimpses even at that early stage of the Protector's career the dominant will and forceful personality of the man. How Cromwell rose from being an ordinary commander of cavalry and of the famous Ironsides to the post of Commander-in-Chief of the forces is well outlined, and the clues given of the inside workings of his mind whilst Ireton and others are, as they imagine, trying to persuade a reluctant Cromwell to assume leadership, is an example of the author's ingenuity. Cromwell is shown as a great opportunist, not be it said in taking advantage of circumstances for his own glorification, but, in the early stages of his career at any rate, solely for the good of England as he conceived it. The First Part ends with King Charles receiving news of the defeat of Montrose by Leslie at Philiphaugh, dramatically brought to him and his generals by Prince Rupert.

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Part Two sees Cromwell faced with three problems which have to be settled before any lasting peace can be achieved, namely the future of the army, the future of the Parliament, and the future of the King. It goes on to describe the various events leading to the severance of the army from the Parliament, negotiations with the King and his duplicity as a politician, his trial and execution. In Part Three we find Cromwell just returned from his expedition to Ireland where he had spread death and destruction with a heavy hand—follows his defeat of the Scots at Dunbar—his final quarrel with Parliament with all its accompanying dramatic episodes—his assumption of the Protectorship, and finally his death. During this period, and indeed for some time before the trial of the King, Cromwell had more and more to play a lone hand. Few of his old friends and supporters were prepared to follow him to the lengths he had made up his inflexible mind to go. Fairford, his trusted lieutenant and adviser, was one of the last to conspire against him and to be banished to his estates. It is impossible, whatever view is held of his actions, not to feel sorry for the bitter loneliness of the man, urged on by an unconquerable fervour and conceiving himself to be the chosen instrument to right the wrongs of the people.

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The whole book is a most human portrait of a great man, for great one has to admit Cromwell was. His relations with his family were for a long time unhappy, and even family ties and the affection which he undoubtedly bore towards his wife, sons, and daughters would not turn him a hair's breadth from the course he had set himself to pursue. Cromwell is shown as a harsh, domineering personality, self-reliant, intolerant of weakness in others, confident in his own strength, and upheld by an almost fanatical belief in himself and his mission. Whatever the value of the book historically, the author's account of the events and incidents described throbs with human interest and makes splendid reading, but one cannot help feeling that historical accuracy may have been sacrificed a little too much in order to make a good story. On the dust cover of the book it is referred to amongst other things as being unusually instructive and applicable to our own times. The first is undoubtedly true, but one passage on page 44 where Hampden is made to say "We do not wish for war, but we have learnt that peace can only be preserved if we are strong enough to strike away the hand that reaches for the sword" is about the only instance of the latter.—R.F.C.M.

Lost Continent

THE SHADOW OF ATLANTIS By Colonel A. Braghine. With 25 Illustrations. Rider, London. 15/-.

Have you wondered about the Lost Continent of Atlantis, when and where it is supposed to have existed, what evidence if any there is to support the theory of it? If so, this book by Colonel Braghine "The Shadow of Atlantis" is a book for you. The publisher confidently states that it is "unequivocally the most important contribution to the problem of Atlantis yet published." But perhaps you think that Atlantis belongs in the realm of fiction and romance, with the Garden of the Hesperides and Calypso's island. But what if these too were an allusion to the lost Atlantis?

The evidences are few, as Colonel Braghine admits, upon which to build a hypothesis, but the archaeologist reconstructs an ancient vessel from its few fragments, and the palaeontologist reconstructs a skeleton from a few bones.

> The scientist who desires to reconstruct the picture of Atlantis has to do something of the same kind. He is obliged to use for this purpose a multitude of little facts, insignificant, as it seems, archaeological finds and various allusions scattered amongst the ancient monuments, manuscripts, and inscriptions. From time to time a hypothesis is necessary for the purpose of cementing various indications and information into one eloquent picture.

Pride and Black Magic

It was Plato who first gave the Western world its tradition of Atlantis, in two of his Dialogues. Describing in his "Timaeus" a visit of wise Solon to Egypt he says:

> It dawned upon Solon that neither he nor his compatriot Greeks had the slightest idea concerning the remote epochs of history. The priests explained this ignorance by the fact that various catastrophes, such as floods and earthquakes, had destroyed the memory of the past. "Moreover," added the priests, "sometimes much more dreadful catastrophes occur, owing to the action of heavenly fire. For instance, the story of Phaeton who appropriated the flaming chariot of his father, Phoebus, and through his inability set on fire half the world, is a very true one, although it seems improbable. Certain perturbations in the movement of the heavenly bodies occur periodically, causing the destruction of millions of lives. After these cataclysms mankind lapses again into barbarity and forgets the art of writing. The Athenians remember, for instance, only one world deluge, whilst there have been several."

In his "Critias" Plato gives details regarding Atlantis, places a part of the island continent near the Pillars of Hercules, says that Atlas, the son of Poseidon, was its first king; he describes it as rich in valuable trees, fertile plains, various metals. But the gods became angry at the pride of the Atlanteans and their practice of Black Magic, and caused Atlantis to sink into the ocean.

Scientific Data

Not too convincing a foundation this for the sceptically minded. Yet let us see what arguments the author finds to support the theory. There is, of course, the widely prevalent tradition of a flood, whether Egyptian, Babylonian, Greek or Scandinavian. But Colonel Braghine thinks that good arguments can be adduced from the fields of scientific study—from seismology, oceanography, astronomy, and biology. The Canary Islands, the Azores, are in a seismic zone; Mount Pelée, in Martinique, illustrates the same condition in the South American area; and the evidence is that the Atlantic region is "a very agitated and relatively young part of the earth's surface," and would have been still more so in the late-Tertiary age. The ocean bottom is not flat, but in considerable relief, presenting two parallel depressions and "a long subterranean marine ridge between Cape Cod and Gibraltar." The shores of Spain and Portugal, Colonel Braghine asserts, descend a mile and a half below sea level, indicating a former sea level of that distance below the present. Likewise the area of Lake Titicaca, in South America, was once two miles higher than at present. The animal life of the Azores, he contends, is not essentially different from that of Europe or of America; and horses, camels, elephants and tigers are found in fossil remains of the American continent. The habits of the lemmings of Norway come in for mention—and who has not been touched by their habit of leaping into the sea and swimming to their death?—as evidence of an instinct that once took them to the lost Atlantis; but it must be added that Colonel Braghine rejects this particular explanation.

Dead Civilizations

As for archaeology, we have evidence enough of civilizations that have disappeared, and the dolmans of Brittany and the solitary monoliths of Central and South America, the universal use of the swastika, these and other evidences are used to support the theory of a migration of the Atlanteans and their culture eastward into Europe, westward into America. The author suggests that Cromagnon man originated in Atlantis. The fact that the Americans looked for Quetzalcoatl and other reformers to come from the east is used to give them too an Atlantean origin. The diffusionist historians who hold that all culture has had a common origin thus find an advocate in Colonel Braghine, though his ideas of the nature of that diffusion might be quite at variance with theirs. The twenty-five photographic illustrations given in the book are chosen to support this theory of an ancient cultural contact in which the lost continent of Atlantis played its part.

The Farther East

It must be admitted that Colonel Braghine's arguments show weak spots at times. His scholarship is more appreciative than critical. A reference to Japan and its people will suffice:

> I am rather inclined to think that the Japanese race itself lived at one remote epoch somewhere to the east of its present dwelling place and in the denomination "The Land of the Rising Sun" we have only a remembrance of a previous Japanese dwelling-place. It is clear that the sun rises for Japan from the American side.

In his chronology too he will often have it both ways; the cataclysm that destroyed Atlantis seems now to have been within the past 20,000 years, then again to have been an infinitely long time ago. All arguments in favour of a continent and a cataclysm are used as almost equally good regardless of the time element.

Greenland Gone North

The reader will wonder what Colonel Braghine has to say of the theory that Europe, Africa and the Americas at one remote time were one continent but drifted apart by a slow geological process, the theory first advanced by the Austrian geologist Dr. Alfred Wegener, based on the undoubted fact that these continents could easily be fitted into each other in the manner of a jigsaw puzzle. Wegener's theory allows for a northward movement of Greenland from a more southern position, which might account for the tradition of Atlantis. Colonel Braghine, while not rejecting the "floating continent" theory, cannot accept the Greenland explanation, holding fast to his theory of a genuine cataclysm.

These then, and many other conjectures may be found in Colonel Braghine's interesting book. For there is no claim on his part that these things are more than conjecture, though they are to his mind reasonable conjecture. After reading his book one can at least agree with him that "Plato's account, after 2,000 years of criticism, still remains a scientific problem."—D.R.

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CHOW! Secrets of Chinese Cooking with Selected Recipes. By Dolly Liu. Kelly & Walsh, Shanghai. $6.50.

This friendly book is by Mrs. Burma Liu, a well known figure in Shanghai's social world and a daughter of the Hon. Sir Shouson Chow of Hongkong. There is an introduction by Lady Clark Kerr and a frontispiece which shows the author's pleasant face surrounded by a bevy of well-known Shanghailanders of the feminine gender either just about to begin or having just finished a Chinese "chow." Added to which, the book is illustrated by the jolly pen and brush of Henry Liu and by many photographs (some of them in colour) and drawings.

Mrs. Liu's object has been to put into handy form an explanation of Chinese table customs and practices and to assist lovers of Chinese food to prepare a few dishes in their own homes, so that they may be able to demonstrate how delicious Chinese food really is. To the knowledge of the expert Mrs. Liu adds an easy, direct literary style. She takes her reader metaphorically by the hand and leads her first through the Chinese kitchen, explaining the various methods used. After reading the chapter on table manners you will go through your next Chinese meal not only with enjoyment but with understanding and much additional grace.

"The Fine Array"

Under the heading "Wine and Song" you are told where you can buy the best Shaohsing wine in Shanghai, but it won't be sold to you unless you can prove that you are able to appreciate it! Kitchen utensils are illustrated and given their Chinese names, and there is a chapter on mushrooms, sauces and condiments. In fact we become initiates of the Chinese cuisine and ready to deal competently with the fine array of recipes which composes the greater part of the book, and among which admirers of Chinese food will joyfully recognize many much-loved dishes. There is even an illustrated lesson on how to make noodles.

All lovers of Chinese chow who are leaving China for good this spring should slip this book into their overcoat pockets. By its aid they will be able to recreate those dishes for which their souls will pine. Perhaps sherry may have to deputize for Shaohsing wine, "Wesson oil" for sesamum oil, crab-apple jelly for red haws, and bay leaves for star-aniseed—or so Mrs. Liu suggests. But I have faith in the ability of Harrods or the Army and Navy Stores to sleuth up anything on request from the varied resources of London town. —C.G.

Darkest Hour, Just Before Dawn

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They all stopped at nothing in order to bring about Jesus' death. Judas, the traitor, is welcomed by them if he will do the vilest deed that ever man did. False witnesses are secured. And when their witness agreed not together, they resort to another device. The high priest in a theatrical display of indignation rents his clothes when Jesus acknowledges that He is the Son of God. "What need we of any further witness," cries the high priest, "He is worthy of death." There is no rebuke when an underling slaps Jesus in the face and others spit on Him and strike Him again and again. They had found fault with Jesus for healing on the Sabbath day but they themselves use the Sabbath day as an occasion to plot against the life of an innocent man.

The Darkest Night

Having condemned Him in a trial that was a travesty on justice, they take Him before Pontius Pilate to ask for a death sentence. They overcome Pilate's hesitancy by popular clamour and mob psychology. With them the end justified the means. They got their way and wreaked their vengeance on a prisoner against whom they could prove nothing. They were jubilantly triumphant. Was this the end? Was truth to perish on a cross and wrong-doing to be enthroned in power? So it seemed on the darkest night.

Their Disappointment

Deep was the discouragement in the hearts of Jesus's friends. He had spoken words of cheer. He had said, "Be of good comfort, I have overcome the world." And it looks now as if He was hopelessly crushed by the powers of darkness. The disciples had looked upon Him as a light to lighten the nations and the glory of His people Israel. He said that He was the light of the world and now that light goes out in the darkness of the graves.

Hardest of all was their disappointment in their Master. He had said once and again that He would rise on the third day, but in their grief and confusion they forgot that, He had said, "I if I be lifted up from the earth I will draw all men unto myself." And "this gospel shall be preached in all the world for a witness unto all nations." And now He is dead and buried and what could be said? The disciples were scattered, each one in his disappointment thinking his own deep thoughts. The women were shedding silent tears. When they met together, if they met, there was nothing to say. Their hearts were too full for words. It was the zero hour. The heavens were black, without one star of hope.

A Lost Cause

For all who hoped for the redemption of Israel there was a sense of defeatism. Jesus had seemed to fulfil all the prophecies regarding the glorious Messiah that was to come, who was to have dominion from sea to sea and from the River unto the ends of the earth. But His course was cut short by an ignominious death while He was yet a young man. Maybe His enemies were right. Was He after all a deceiver, a blasphemer, a false prophet? And as for the distressed and distraught disciples, theirs seemed to be a Lost Cause. And what can hurt worse than to have staked everything upon a cause that fails. They had left all to follow Jesus and their devotion seemed to have been all in vain. Their sacrifice had borne no fruit and now they would be the laughing stock of their enemies, the reproach of those who say "I told you so."

And saddest of all there was a condition of moral chaos. Pride, arrogancy, hypocrisy, self-seeking and religious formalism had gained the day, while gentleness, meekness, goodness, service of fellow-men, incarnated in one glorious Person, had died on a cross between two robbers and His body was now in a tomb hewn out of the rock, sealed with the Imperial seal and guarded by Roman soldiers. There seemed no longer any distinction between black and white, between wrong and right. A deep grey pall of gloom rested over everything.

Christ Arisen

It was on this very Saturday night about 1,900 years ago, a night of gloom and deep despair. On the next morning Jesus rose from the dead. The darkest hour was followed by the dawn of a glorious new day. Hope for the discouraged disciples. A message of light and salvation to all men, for God who raised up Christ from the dead can and will call those who seek Him from darkness to light and from the power of Satan unto God. And by the same token He is ever reviving His Church. The Christian Church has this about it, that though it may be hard pressed or sunk very low in coldness and indifference, yet there is always the remnant and always the hope of a new life through her Risen Lord

God Still in Heaven

And so likewise in world situations God is still in His heaven though all may not be right with the world. God's hand continues to guide in human lives and in human history. He permits the storms of men's wild behaviour but the storm is not beyond His control. He makes the wrath of man to praise Him and the remainder of wrath will He restrain. He, for the elects' sake, shortens the days of evil. When the hour strikes He injects unexpected factors into insoluble situations. "Truth crushed to earth will rise again" is not a scriptural phrase, but it is a scriptural truth. God has a purpose and a plan linked up with godly men, who are the salt of the earth. He uses men who know Him not to further His purposes. The consummation of His plans may be delayed but cannot be defeated.

It has often proved true in human affairs, as it did in Palestine nineteen centuries ago, that the darkest hour is the harbinger of a New Day. With Him who raised Jesus from the dead nothing is impossible.

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Ban on Metal Trading In Canton

Japanese Military Threaten Severe Punishment

Canton. Apr. 9.

The Japanese military authorities have issued an order strictly prohibiting the sale and purchase of silver, gold, copper, iron, lead, tin, wolfram, antimony and other ores. In addition, owners of such metals are forbidden to remove them from their present storehouses, whether these be godowns or private homes. "Severe punishment" is threatened to all persons who violate the order.

The local Chinese Chamber of Commerce has decided to form an arbitration board to handle the growing number of disputes between merchants in regard to properties and merchandise. It is expected that, when formed, the board will work in co-operation with the Peace Preservation Committee. With the return of more normal conditions, many new factories and businesses are being opened weekly.

The Tungkoon Sugar Refinery factory, which belonged to the former Chinese regime and is one of the largest in South China, recently resumed operations, while the former Chinese brewery and the fertiliser plant, both located at Saichuen, are expected to follow suit shortly.

The entertainment world in Canton is also making progress. Arrangements are said to have already been concluded for the exhibition of foreign cinema films in at least two local theatres very soon. These films will be supplied by Hongkong.—Reuter.

Senate to Vote on Relief Funds

Washington, Apr. 8.

The Senate agreed today to vote on Monday afternoon on the controversial proposal to increase the US$100,000,000 relief bill to the US$150,000,000 requested by President Roosevelt.—United Press.

U.S. Launches Another Warship

Bath, Maine, Apr. 8.

Mrs. William Sims, widow of the Admiral in command of the United States Fleet in the Great War, christened the destroyer Sims which was launched here today.—United Press.

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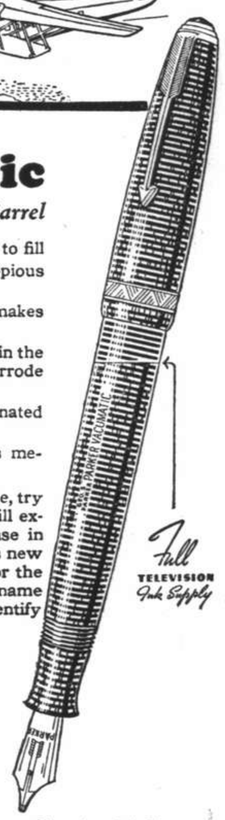

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THE SPORTS PAGE

Hindhead Wins I.R.C. Derby

Columbus, the Favourite, in Second Place; Easter Sub-Griffins Won by Lore-Fels

By "The Chaser"

A LARGE crowd turned out to watch the races yesterday which had two principal events. The more important of the two was the I.R.C. Derby (Classic) which was won by Hindhead who with the assistance of Clark ran a wonderful race to defeat the much fancied Columbus who started favourite and ran second by half a length.

Clark rode a well-judged race to bring the pony up at the right moment after laying in the middle of the field for the first mile and a quarter. Vim, with Parkin in the saddle, also ran a good race to fill third place and it was really the question of the better ponies beating him. Joylight and Fleeting Bow were also well supported in the betting and the latter was fourth but Joylight was disappointing and was not in the picture at the finish.

Lucky Sonny went out in the lead and paced the field for the first mile while Joylight and Bulletin watched him carefully and did not at any time let him get away to more than a length. A length behind the leaders ran Columbus while the rest were well bunched on his tail. Lucky Sonny tired at the Monument while Columbus drew up to run abreast with the leaders and the moment the field rounded the bend Columbus shot into the lead, but a moment later Hindhead came with a rush on the outside and joined him and, from opposite the public stands, the pair put a thrilling battle. Hindhead passed Columbus in the last thirty yards to win by half a length in the fast time of 3.14.3 for the mile and a half, but most remarkable was the terrific last quarter which was done in 28.3 sec.

The Easter Sub-Griffins Champions (Classic) apart from an incident in the early part of the race was a close race all the way until Lore-Fels flashed past the leaders in the last hundred yards to go on and win by two lengths. Sugar Star, a little fancied pony, came with a late rush to snatch second place from right under the nose of Special Delivery who was fully extended to retain even third place from Spring Tide.

Unfortunate Incident

It was unfortunate that Elfen-fels swerved at the entrance just before the nine furlong post and threw his rider as he would have made the race much more exciting and it was still more fortunate for Pote-Hunt on Quick Change, for although he was not thrown when his pony followed Elfen-fels, he lost nearly ten lengths in the mix-up. When the Loong-fei was reached he was in the lead while the rest ran in a tight bunch. Fruitylight tired at the last quarter and trailed off while Lore-fels, Special Delivery and Spring Tide shot to the fore.

Lore-fels passed Special Delivery and Spring Tide opposite the stands to draw away and win by two lengths and no-one was happier than Mr. "Hardi" Mielch yesterday and, who wouldn't be winning the Sub-Derby and Sub-Champions with the same pony.

Racing yesterday was excellent and racing favourites tasted the bitter fruit of defeat in more than one race while record dividends were paid in the forecast pool. The two lucky holders of ponies number two and three (Sparkfoot and Aquilla) were rewarded with a record dividend of $2,730 for each ticket while the seven supporters of the combination of Bober and Flyinglight in the Easter Monday Handicap were better of by $1,020.60.

Maitland and Gram were the top riders of the day and each brought home two winners while honours in the other races were well divided among the jockeys with the Chinese taking first honours in three races. The two open races did not prove to be as interesting as expected as only four starters took the field in the Kiangwan Cup, over the distance of a mile and three quarters. This was won by Gold Vase who, after a slow and dull race which was only interesting from the three furlongs, just got home a head to the good, beating Bagshot while Pearlylight who almost caught the winners napping when he dashed off from the Monument filled the remaining place half a length away.

Favourites Off Guard

The "A" section of the Easter Monday Handicap was another dull affair and this time the favourites were caught off their guard and did not even show at the finish with the result that Bober, whose jockey did wisely in taking the lead and making a fast race. Flyinglight and Benlomond were the only two to chase him and when the last quarter was reached Bober and Flyinglight were so far ahead that the others had no chance of catching them.

Merrylight qualified for the champions yesterday not too impressively and only won by the bare margin of half a length in not too good company. He beat New General and his stable companion Cherrylight.

Spotted Sands was also not very popular with the public, except for his 41 backers, when he romped home in the last race to win by a length and a half, beating Evesham, at 20-1 odds.

1.—THE I.R.C. GRAND NATIONAL STEEPLECHASE. Twice Round.
NOTE:—At the request of the Stewards of the Shanghai Race Club, the above Steeplechase is cancelled.

2.—THE GREAT EASTERN PLATE. 7 furlongs.
Florin (G. C. Shaw) 155 F. Marshall 1
Lesginka (Talbot) 155 L. H. Wade 2
Alberto (P. G. C.) 162 M. H. Feeney 3
Also ran:—Josspray (Gabor Renner), Spicylight (J. Pote-Hunt), Newbury (S. Y. Sung), Runcorn (R. D. Parkin), Jalouste (J. Cockin), Neckartal (R. Morgan), Joyfully (V. G. Sung), Rigoletto (J. B. Lok).
Won by short head; a head.
Time, 1.52 sec.
Forecast Pool Race F7. Winning Combination 1/9. Dividend $128.20.
Win, $31.80. Places, $12.60, $12.20, $17.60.

3.—THE BOSTON SELLING RACE. 1 mile.
Toodle-do (Zenith) 147 E. B. Cumine 1
Houdini (McLaurin) 152 G. P. Gram 2
Legateship (Mrs. Jack Diddell) 155 H. Maitland 3
Also ran:—Don Agustin (J. B. Lok), Smart Morn (P. Y. Vong), Nero (R. Morgan), Sundridge Park (Gabor Renner), Great Blessing (C. Y. Wong).
Won by 1½ length; 1 length.
Time, 2.08 sec.
Forecast Pool Race D6. Winning Combination 8/5. Dividend $128.
Win, $16.60. Places, $7.20, $9.60, $8.

4.—THE OHIO SELLING PLATE. 1 mile.
Brown Bomber (McLaurin) 155
Nimbus (Arwil) 152 R. D. Parkin 2
Diamond King (Diamond) 145 P. Y. Vong 3
Also ran:—Ancient Jade (Y. S. Chang), Marvellous Chap (J. B. Lok), Rupert Brooke (H. Maitland), The Redcap (I. H. Howell), Guerrilla (E. B. Cumine), Fleeting Bolt (F. Marshall), Deer (S. Y. Sung).
Won by ½ length; 4 lengths.
Time, 2.11⅘ sec.
Forecast Pool Race G4. Winning Combination 9/4. Dividend $89.40.
Win, $21. Places, $8.80, $9, $116.

5.—THE KIANGWAN CUP. 1¾ mile.
Gold Vase (We Two) 152 H. Maitland 1
Bagshot (A. S. Henchman) 149 A. F. Clark 2
Pearlylight (Cire) 150 J. Pote-Hunt 3
Also ran:—Un-Un-Un (G. P. Gram).
Won by a head; ½ length.
Time, 4.09⅘ sec.
Forecast Pool Race E6. Winning Combination 4/2. Dividend $12.80.
Win, $7.60. Places, $5, $5.40.

6.—THE KIRTLING PLATE. 7 furlongs.
Danbury (Lawson) 155 T. L. Wong 1
Citylight (Cire) 152 J. Pote-Hunt 2
Ancient Leader (Wise Co.) 149 Y. S. Chang 3
Also ran:—Purpleray (F. Noodt), Chengtu (V. G. Sung), Faust (J. B. Lok), Curly (V. L. Xavier), Bingo (A. Noodt), Moor Park (A. F. Clark), Coffee Cup (E. B. Moller), Tar Heel (S. Y. Sung), Happy Fellow (A. C. Ching), Zeppelin (Gabor Renner), Scarlet Pimpernel (H. Maitland), The Eiderduck (I. H. Howell), Prince John (E. J. Bell), Macao Beauty (Chen Poo) Non-Starter, Cricket (G. P. Gram).
Sweep: (1) 359, (2) 185, (3) 347.
Unplaced: 23, 721, 8, 671, 354, 124, 172, 695, 294, 228, 250, 627, 441, 255, 505.
Won by 1 length; a head.
Time, 1.48⅘ sec.
Forecast Pool Race H7. Winning Combination 9/7. Dividend $63.20.
Win, $47.40. Places, $17.20, $9.60, $106.

7.—THE MONTREAL PLATE. 7 furlongs.
Merrylight (Cire) 155 J. Pote-Hunt 1
New General (China) 155 T. L. Wong 2
Cherrylight (Cire) 158 E. B. Moller 3
Also ran:—The Frigate (A. Noodt), Busted Contract (V. L. Xavier), Socrates (I. H. Howell), Beautylight (C. B. Moller), Little Pal (M. H. Feeney), Phantom (G. P. Gram), Hangchow (F. Noodt), Rigodon (A. V. Striker), Going Slow (E. B. Cumine).
Sweep: (1) 692, (2) 23, (3) 379.
Unplaced: 88, 797, 91, 701, 687, 111, 783, 540, 417.
Won by ½ length; ½ length.
Time, 1.47⅘ sec.
Forecast Pool Race I7. Winning Combination 9/8. Dividend $20.80.
Win, $6.20. Places, $5.60, $6.80, $9.20.

8.—THE LITTLETON PLATE. 1¼ mile.
Second Thoughts (The Farmer) 153 C. G. Jack 1
Tiddly Winks (Manx) 149 H. M. R. Hodgman 2
Spicylight (Cire) 155 C. B. Moller 3
Also ran:—Applejack (S. Y. Sung), The Sketch (F. Noodt), El Draco (R. Morgan, Interin (L. H. Wade), Roslin (G. P. Gram), Army Patrol (H. Huang), Comet (J. B. Lok), Moortown (M. H. Feeney).
Sweep: (1) 258, (2) 168, (3) 128.
Unplaced:—278 760, 755, 327, 116, 195. 577, 93.
Won by a neck; 3 lengths.
Time, 2.46 sec.
Forecast Pool Race J7. Winning Combination 7/9. Dividend $36.40.
Win, $13. Places, $6.80, $9.80, $7.60.

9.—THE LLAMA MIAU PLATE. 9 furlongs.
Mr. Deeds (Bubbling Well) 155 H. Maitland 1
Stanmore (A. S. Henchman) 152 A. F. Clark 2
Cord (Park) 156 A. C. Ching 3
Also ran:—Merry Lido (G. P. Gram), Big Dick (I. H. Howell), Happy Challenger (A. Kwong), Bell Hop (John Sparke), Wintrylight (J. Pote-Hunt), Social Hall (H. Huang), Port Douglas (E. B. Cumine), Tough Chap (P. Y. Vong), Playboy (V. L. Xavier), Bonus (M. H. Feeney), Lucky Tommy (V. G. Sung), Mistylight (C. B. Moller), Neckarland (Gabor Renner), Mr. Bubbins (L. H. Wade), Cherryray (F. Noodt), Wonderful Rush (Y. S. Chang), Spirit of Fenghua (S. Y. Sung).
Sweep: (1) 647, (2) 831, (3) 513.
Unplaced: 161, 414, 622, 821, 766, 884, 163, 676, 249, 673, 216, 212, 165, 108, 235, 780, 366.
Won by 3 lengths; a head.
Time, 2.23⅕ sec.
Forecast Pool Race K7. Winning Combination 1/6. Dividend $26.60.
Win, $8. Places, $5.80, $7.60, $22.20.

10.—THE I.R.C. DERBY (CLASSIC). 1½ mile.
Note.—Ponies must be the bona-fide property of and be ridden by Members of the International Recreation Club.
Hindhead (A. S. Henchman) 155 A. F. Clark 1
Columbus (Three Star) 158 G. P. Gram 2
Vim (Vitality) 155 R. D. Parkin 3
Also ran:—Fleeting Bow (F. Marshall), Bulletin (Gabor Renner), Anything Goes (John Sparke), Lucky Sonny (S. Y. Sung), Fairylight (H. Maitland), Joylight (J. Pote-Hunt), White Willie (A. A. White), Neville (Y. S. Chang).
Sweep: (1) 713, (2) 361, (3) 628.
Unplaced: 803, 306, 244, 216, 206, 107, 879, 386.
Won by ½ length; 2 lengths.
Time, 3.14⅘ sec.
Forecast Pool Race L7. Winning Combination 4/6. Dividend $34.60.
Win, $21.80. Places, $8.60, $7, $18.40.

11.—THE EASTER MONDAY HANDICAP ("A" Class). 1¼ mile.
Bober (H. & K.) 155 L. H. Wade 1
Flyinglight (Cire) 150 J. Pote-Hunt 2
Merry Jester (C. S. Mao) 155 G. P. Gram 3
Also ran:—Benlomond (I. H. Howell), Busted Straight (R. D. Parkin), Cordon Rouge (John Sparke), Roehampton (A. F. Clark), The Mars (P. Y. Vong).
Sweep: (1) 442, (2) 253, (3) 399.
Also ran:—666, 158, 232, 617, 719.
Won by 1 length; 3 lengths.
Time, 2.41⅘ sec.
Forecast Pool Race F6. Winning Combination 6/8. Dividend $1020.60.
Win, $48.80. Places, $13, $19.20, $10.40.

12.—THE EASTER SUB-GRIFFINS CHAMPIONS (CLASSIC). 1¼ mile.
Lore-Fels (Hardi) 158 G. P. Gram 1
Sugar Star (F. C. Hwang) 156 A. C. Ching 2
Special Delibery (We Two) 155 H. Maitland 3
Also ran:—Spring Tide (Gabor Renner), Elfen-fels (E. B. Cumine), Fruitylight (C. B. Moller), Quick Change (J. Pote-Hunt).
Sweep: (1) 54, (2) 604, (3) 643.
Unplaced: 578, 615, 170, 367.
Won by 2 lengths; a head.
Time, 2.46⅕ sec.
Forecast Pool Race G6. Winning Combination 3/4. Dividend $399.60.
Win, $39.40. Places, $7, $6.20, $5.80.

13.—THE EASTER MONDAY HANDICAP ("B" Class). 1¼ mile.
Ancient Ensign (Wise Co.) 152 Y. S. Chang 1
Wet Morn (Henry White) 150 R. D. Parkin 2
Sammy (Jewell) 150 Gabor Renner 3
Also ran:—Blue Boy (H. Maitland), Saintsbury (Chen Poo), Fefistofele (J. B. Lok), Mou Tan Hua (H. M. R. Hodgman), Snappylight (R. Morgan), Merry Guy (V. L. Xavier), Dow Jones (G. P. Gram), Mountaineer (A. Noodt).
Sweep: (1) 732, (2) 705, (3) 813.
Also ran:—673, 713, 709, 1183, 784, 722, 1192, 837.
Won by 2 lengths; 1 length.
Time, 2.41 sec.
Forecast Pool Race M7. Winning Combination 6/1. Dividend $83.20.
Win, $12.20. Places, $7.40, $13.20, $10.60.

13A.—THE EASTER MONDAY HANDICAP ("B" Class). 1¼ mile.
Sparkfoot (A. H. George) 145 M. H. Feeney 1
Aquilla (C. E. & S. A.) 152 F. Noodt 2
White Wine (A. V. White) 148 E. B. Cumine 3
Also ran:—Corps Cavalry (A. R. White), Sootylight (J. Pote-Hunt), Duke of Kent, (F. Marshall), Brave Raider (S. Y. Sung), The Swan (A. Noodt), Loch Mhor (G. P. Gram), Lively Morn (C. B. Moller), Athenian Knight (P. Y. Vong).
Won by a head; a neck.
Time, 2.43⅘ sec.
Forecast Pool Race N7. Winning Combination 2/3. Dividend $27.30.
Win, $72.40. Places, $20.40, $54, $28.80.

14.—THE EASTER MONDAY HANDICAP ("C" Class). 1¼ mile.
Blenheim (R. H. McNair) 150 Gabor Renner 1
Friesenfels (Hardi) 146 E. B. Cumine 2
War Cloud (Alone) 142 F. Noodt 3
Also ran:—Little Joe (Chen Poo), Stolzeneck (G. R. Cheape), Tungstenlight (E. B. Moller), Kanoungtoe (R. Morgan), Port St. Mary (E. Kermode), Man O'Zeal (V. L. Xavier), Cordon Bleu (H. Maitland), Charming Swallow (Y. N. Chow), Ebonylight (C. B. Moller), Ideal King (H. M. R. Hodgman), Duke of York (M. Perske), Receivership (J. B. Lok), The Cosmopolitan (A. A. White) Non-Starter, Sumatra (M. H. Feeney), Crispylight (R. D. Parkin), Record Mark (A. Noodt), Man O'Zest (J. Pote-Hunt).
Sweep: (1) 1142, (2) 755, (3) 823.
Unplaced 922, 1144, 1184, 659, 775 880, 1179, 650, 913, 728, 748, 1165, 1121, 667, 729, 1118.
Won by a head; ½ length.
Time, 2.40⅘ sec.
Forecast Pool Race O7. Winning Combination 9/9. Dividend $10.80.
Win, $308.80. Places, $35.40, $9.80, $23.20.

15.—THE EASTER MONDAY HANDICAP ("D" Class). 1¼ mile.
Spotted Sand (Great) 143 P. Y. Vong 1
Evesham (Sing Lee) 152 S. Y. Sung 2
Off Chance (Anvil) 148 M. H. Feeney 3
Also ran:—Man O'Pep (R. Morgan), Port Bradda (E. Kermode), Cottonlight (C. B. Moller), Charminglight (E. B. Moller), Grenadier. (John Sparke), Artimid (Chen Poo), Sandy (Gabor Renner), White Birthday (V. L. Xavier).
Sweep: (1) 1127, (2) 773, (3) 905.
Unplaced: 687, 1101, 616, 746, 838, 1105, 644, 850.
Won by 1½ length; ½ length.
Time, 2.41.
Forecast Pool Race P7. Winning Combination 8/4. Dividend $245.60.
Win, $100.40. Places, $25.80, $8.20, $16.40.

"N.C.D.N." Photo.

Hongkong Wins from Greens

Mrs. W. Read, Hongkong centre-forward, is seen forcing her way past Mrs. N. Sinclair, the Greens' right-back, during yesterday's game at Kiaochow Park which the visitors won by 8-1. The others in the picture are Miss D. Fredericks, Shanghai left-back, Miss M. Harker, Hongkong inside-right, and Miss M. Ballingall, Shanghai centre-half.

Von Cramm in Egypt Wins Tennis Crown

SPECIAL TO THE "N.C.D.N."

Alexandria, Apr. 9.

In the final of the Men's Egyptian Tennis Championship, at Alexandria today, Von Cramm (Germany) beat W. D. McNeill (America) by 7-5, 6-2, 6-8 and 6-2. The women's final was won by Miss A. G. Curtis (Great Britain) who beat Miss J. R. Harman (Ireland) in two straight sets, 6-2, 6-4.—Reuter.

Shanghai Scottish at Rifle Range

Challenge Cup Won By L/Cpl. Veid

On Saturday the annual classification of the Shanghai Scottish Company S.V.C., was fired when six men qualified as marksmen. Pte. J. C. Pullen, L/Sgt. K. S. Mackenzie, Cpl. T. S. R. MacIntyre, Pte. J. S. Smith, Lieut. J. A. C. Lay and Sgt. I. McGilchrist. Prizes were presented by Captain A. G. Lang. Following were the prize winners:—

Challenge Cup:—1st, L/Cpl. R. C. Veid; 2nd, L/Sgt. K. S. Mackenzie; 3rd, Cpl. T. S. R. MacIntyre.

Inglis Cup:—1st, Pte. D. P. Ross.; 2nd, Pte. J. S. Smith.

Captain's Prize:—1st, J. Henry (Sgt.); 2nd, Pte. A. M. Buchanan.

Subaltern's Prize:—1st, C.Q.M.S. J. K. Ewing, 2nd, L/Cpl. F. S. Gavin.

N.C.O.'s W.T.C.'s Prize:—1st, L/Sgt. K. C. Mackenzie; 2nd, Pte. J. C. Pullen.

President's Prize:—1st, Cpl. C. J. A. Gray; 2nd, Pte. D. P. L. Stirling.

Grand Aggregate:—1st, Pte. J. C. Pullen; 2nd, L/Sgt. K. S. Mackenzie; 3rd, Cpl. T. S. R. MacIntyre.

Class Aggregate:—"A" 1st, T. F. Buchanan (Pte.); "B" 2nd, Pte. J. S. Smith; "C" 3rd, Pte. D. P. Ross.

Lewis Gun Parts:—Sgt. S. Tweedie and Pte. J. C. Pullen.

Ladies' Prize:—1st, Mrs. J. K. Ewing (Pte. J. S. Smith); 2nd, Miss E. B. Bergquist (Pte. S. R. Wilson); 3rd, Mrs. A. W. Wilson (L/Sgt. K. S. Mackenzie).

Bronze Trophy:—No. 2 Platoon.

Hon. and Ex-Members' and Visitors' Competition:—1st, Capt. L. A. Whitakker; 2nd, Major Corbin.

Home Soccer Results

London, Apr. 10.

Following are the results of the League Soccer matches played today:

English League

1st Division

Arsenal 2, Blackpool 1
Birmingham 0, Liverpool 0
Chelsea 1, Charlton Athletic 3
Derby County 0, Portsmouth 1
Everton 6, Sunderland 2
Leeds United 3, Manchester U. 1
Middlesbrough 3, Leicester City 2
Preston N. End 2, Brentford 0
Stoke City 4, Bolton W. 1
Wolverhampton W. 2, Aston Villa 1

2nd Division

Blackburn Rovers 2, Fulham 1
Manchester City 0, Bury 0
Norwich City 1, Coventry City 1
Plymouth A. 0, Tottenham H. 1
Sheffield W. 3, Millwall 1
Southampton 0, Luton Town 4
Swansea Town 1, Tranmere Rovers 0
Wsst Brom A. 0, Nottingham F. 0

3rd Division (South)

Ipswich Town 2, Queen's Park R. 0
Walsall 1, Bristol Rovers 1
Bournemouth & BA 1, Brighton & H.A.0
Bristol City 2, Crystal Palace 1
Cardiff City 1, Southend U. 0
Exeter City 0, Clapton Orient 2
Northampton T. 4, Swindon Town 0
Notts County 0, Port Vale 0
Reading 1, Mansfield Town 1
Torquay United 2, Newport County 2
Watford 1, Aldershot 1

3rd Division (North)

Accrington S. 0, Doncaster R. 0
Barrow 0, Chester 1
Barnsley 0, Stockport County 1
Gateshead 2, Hartlepools U. 0
Halifax Town 1, Hull City 0
New Brighton 3, Bradford City 3
Oldham Athletic 1, Lincoln City 0
Rochdale 5, Crewe Alexandra 0
Rotherham U. 1, Southport 0
Wrexham 3, Darlington 1
York City 4, Carlisle United 1.—Reuter

Scottish League

1st Division

Clyde 4, Third Lanark 1
Queens Park 1, Celtic 2

Hope For Halliburton Junk Abandoned

San Francisco, Apr. 9.

Navigators today virtually abandoned hope for the author and adventurer, Mr. Richard Halliburton who, with a crew of fourteen in the Chinese Junk Sea Dragon, has been missing for sixteen days in mid-Pacific. There is still a possibility that the Junk may reach Midway Island under sail.—United Press.

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Greens Club Loses To Hongkong

Visiting Hockey Team Win All Games in Shanghai; Mrs. W. Read the Star

Scoring four goals in each half, the Hongkong Ladies Interport Hockey XI inflicted a heavy defeat upon the Greens Hockey Club, Shanghai league champions, yesterday at Kiaochow Park, 8-1. The visitors won all games played here.

Mrs. W. Read, formerly of Shanghai who married Mr. Frank Read, a former Shanghai resident, continued to shine with her thrusting and shooting ability and registered four of the eight goals. Plus the hat-trick against the Rest and two more tallies against the Shanghai Interport side last Sunday and Saturday respectively, Mrs. Read had no less than nine goals to her credit.

In defence, Mrs. I. Stone, right-half, was again outstanding. She was all over the field and knew exactly where to go and what to do. Several times she came to the rescue of her team-mates and cleared.

The Greens were much too slow, in hitting and running. On numerous occasions the defence was ripped wide open as their opponents uncorked speed and clock-like combination, specially between Mrs. O. Burnett, outside-right, and Miss M. Harker, inside-right. These two players put the ball over for Mrs. Read for the finishing touches and the latter had more than twenty shots to handle.

The teams were as folows:—

Hongkong.—Mrs. T. Lunson, Miss E. Gray, Miss G. White, Miss H. Reid, Miss I. Wooley, Mrs. I. Stone, Miss M. Westcott, Miss J. Grieg, Mrs. M. Read, Miss M. Harker, Mrs. O. Burnett.

Greens.—Miss L. Bomko, Mrs. N. Sinclair, Miss D. Frederick, Mrs. I. Vaughnson, the Misses M. Ballingall, P. Dillon, M. Turner, D. Eardley, M. Sheridan, N. Kelly and L. Cormick.

Hongkong's Fast Pace

Hongkong started a fast pace from the opening bully. Mrs. Read, after missing a close shot from Mrs. Burnett's pass, scored the opening goal in the 4th minute on her own effort. Mrs. Stone plied the centre with a forward pass to see the latter beat the opposing backs and directed a well-placed shot out of Miss Bomko's reach.

In less than five minutes Mrs. Read notched up her second tally. Mrs. Stone was again instrumental as she cleared with a long pass to Mrs. Burnett, who raced upfield and passed on to the scorer.

Hongkong was all over the Greens. Miss Bomko was in great anxiety in goal. In the 14th minute Mrs. Burnett put Miss Harker on the spot. The inside-right directed a weak shot which completely puzzled the keeper who could not make up her mind whether to use her feet or the stick to stop it. As a result, the ball rolled into the net for a third goal.

Shanghai managed to effect several fine saves during the scrimmages. Mrs. Sinclair cleared once while Miss Bomko kicked three shots to safety while goals seemed almost certain.

The Greens made a fine effort to harass Mrs. Lunson at the other end of the field. Miss Eardley nearly "spilled the beans" from a scramble in the goalmouth. The situation was relieved when Miss Sheridan drove over the cross-bar.

In the 28th minute the Colony team went four up. Miss Harker shot but Miss Bomko saved. The ball rose into the air. On the drop Miss Grieg, who filled the inside-left position in the absence of Mrs. W. Daiziel, easily flicked home.

The Greens kept on fighting and were rewarded in the last minute to the end of the first half. Miss Sheridan followed up Miss Eardley's shot. Mrs. Lunson was only able to make a partial clearance before the Greens' centre converted.

Easy Shot Missed

Miss Sheridan missed an easy shot in the goalmouth shortly after the interval. Hongkong settled down in time with Mrs. Read continuing to play a forcing game. In the 10th minute she raised the score to 5-1, driving in a neat shot which Miss Bomko could not stop, although she slightly touched the ball.

Midway through the period Miss Harker nearly increased the margin to 6-1 when she missed the goal by a fraction of an inch, making an angular shot on the run.

A pretty forward movement enabled Miss Westcott to carry through. The fast winger beat Mrs. Sinclair to register Hongkong's sixth. On a steady gait, Miss Harker received fine support from Mrs. Read, who dashed forward to catch a pass and relayed it to her inside partner. The latter caught the Greens' goalie unawares. In less than two minutes Mrs. Read brushed in the eighth goal from a scrimmage in front of Miss Bomko's goal, thereby ending the day's work and with it Hongkong's successful invasion.

American Ice Hockey Championships

Leafs Beat Bruins in Second Cup Clash

Boston, Apr. 9.

The Toronto Maple Leafs came through in the overtime period to defeat the Boston Bruins, 3 goals to 2, in the second clash of the final series for the Stanley Cup, symbolic trophy of professional ice hockey supremacy, tonight before a howling crowd of home spectators.

The victory has caused a tie in the series, for the Bruins won the first clash, 2-1. With the next two games to be played at Toronto, the Bruins face not only a hostile crowd but will be forced to play on a strange rink. Despite the disadvantage, the Bruins are favoured to triumph and win the best four out of seven games.

With the score tied, 2-2, when the gun announcing the end of the game cracked, an overtime period was ordered to decide the winner. Doc Romnes became the hero of the tussle when he raced through and netted the pick for the winning goal.

The defeat of the Bruins again revived the story of the Leafs being a jinx. Four times have the Bruins and Leafs met in the play-off or final series for the Stanley Cup, but on each occasion the Bruins were beaten. Many are of the opinion that this time again the Bruins will be forced to bow to the leafs.

The Bruins, however, have a far better record than the Leafs and are generally rated 5-2 favourites to win the Cup. The Bruins won the cup once before in 1929, while the Leafs also have held the prized cup.—United Press.

Local Darts Race Grows Close

Fate of Ewo Shield Now In the Balance

As the result of the past week's results in the Police Invitation Open Darts League, the race for leadership has become closer than ever and the forthcoming tussles will be looked forward to with a great deal of interest by both players and supporters of the various teams for, on the outcome of these clashes will probably depend the fate of the Ewo Shield offered to the winning side.

Central Station are now at the top of the table, leading by one point from the better placed Louza team. The former had a close call on Friday evening against Area Details on the latter's board, but the policemen maintained their winning ways and were able to inflict on the soldiers their first defeat of the season at Tifeng Road.

The same evening Louza and Central Club, both playing superb darts, battled for points at Louza Station. Here again the police side was able to gain the day by the odd point in three, but then many spectators who attended must have gone away extremely pleased with the exhibition they saw. That this encounter was responsible for the finest game of darts seen since the tournament started there is no gain-saying, for in the first game, Louza secured the required 1001 in exactly twenty throws to average over 50 per throw. Orme was off on the first dart, as was Lay for the Central Club, but the policemen's aim was so accurate that the civilians were still 224 behind when Chamberlain, left with 35 to finish, hit the 16, 15 and double 2 in successive darts, to take the first leg.

In the second frame both Orme and Lay were off again with their initial arrows and a real ding-dong battle was staged with Central Club having the better of the argument until Cox, of the Police, stepped up to the mark, requiring 46 for game. With his first effort he hit the 16 and without wasting time, speared the double 30 with his second dart to complete the game in 22 throws!

By this win Louza is now placed in a most favourable position, and provided the team can maintain its winning form, should have little difficulty in capturing the championship. Other sides are fairly well placed, but the fact that Louza has games in hand over its rivals, should stand in good stead.

Results for the past week and standings follow:

R.A.S.C. beat Seaforths 3-0; A. & T.R. beat Area Details 2-1; Central Station beat East Surreys 3-0; Central Station beat Shanghai Volunteer Corps 2-1; Central Station beat Jail 3-0; Central Club beat Shanghai Volunteer Corps 3-0; Gordon Road Station beat R.A.M.C. 2-1; Shanghai Fire Brigade beat Carter Road 2-1; Pootoo Road Station beat Garrison Sgts Mess 2-1; Louza Station beat Jail 3-0; Pootoo Road beat Shanghai Fire Brigade 2-1; East Surreys beat R.A.S.C. 3-0; Central Club beat British Military Police 2-1; A. & T.R. beat East Surreys 2-1; Louza beat Garrison Sergeants Mess 2-1; Shanghai Volunteer Corps beat R.A.M.C. 2-1; Area Details beat Jail 2-1; Central Station beat Area Details 2-1; Carter Road beat Central Club 2-1; Louza beat Central Club 2-1; R.A.M.C. beat Carter Road 3-0; A. & T.R. beat R.A.S.C. 2-1 and Pootoo Road beat Shanghai Volunteer Corps 2-1.

League Standings

	P.	W.	L.	Pts.
Central Police Station	15	9	6	26
Louza Station	13	9	4	25
East Surreys Sgts. Mess	14	9	5	24
Pootoo Road Station	15	9	6	24
Carter Road Police Qts.	14	10	4	23
Central Club	14	8	6	23
Area Details	13	8	5	22
Gordon Road Station	13	7	6	22
Shanghai Fire Brigade	13	7	6	22
R.A.M.C.	14	7	7	22
British Military Police	12	7	5	20
A. & T. Reserve	13	8	5	19
R.A.S.C.	13	4	9	18
Jail	13	3	10	14
Seaforths Sgts. Mess	10	5	5	12
Shanghai Volunteer Corps	14	2	12	12
Garrison Sgts. Mess	13	1	12	11

Last night the Military Police defeated Louza 2-1 thereby cutting down the police team's large advantage. Had it not been for King in the third game who after the soldiers had three tries at double-seven, getting double-nine, Louza would have been in a worse position still.

The above table was corrected before last night's game and does not include any play of this week.

Championship Won By C.C.C. Blues

Splendid Record in Ten Pins Play, Winning 22 And Losing Nine Games

Defeating the American Club by the odd game in three yesterday the Blues of the Columbia Country Club captured the Shanghai Ladies Inter-Club Ten Pins championship by a splendid record of 22 games won and nine lost, finishing four games ahead of the C.C.C. Reds, their sister team.

Play was brought to a close yesterday as the Reds trimmed the Marine Ladies, cellar dwellers, by a score of 2-1 and the Foreign Y.M.C.A. Women's Sports Section took the measure of the German Garden Club.

The standard of bowling was much below form, only three competitors topping the 500 marks Miss Hykes won both single and triple honours, scoring 199 and 521 respectively.

Final team standings are:—

	Won	Lost
C.C.C. Blues	22	9
C.C.C. Reds	18	12
Foreign Y.M.C.A.	17	13
American Club	16	14
German Garden Club	10	20
Marine Ladies	7	23

LEAGUE RECORDS

Single—Mrs. Hale	205
Triple—Mrs. McDonnell	544
Average—Mrs. McDonnell	164.5
Team Single—C.C.C. Reds	824
Team Triple—C.C.C. Blues	2278

Yesterday's Scores

Yesterday's results follow:—

C.C.C. BLUES—2

Mrs. Gray	112	116	123	351
Mrs. Davis	132	143	[illegible]	41[illegible]
Mrs. Cardwell	132	125	134	391
Mrs. Hale	145	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Mrs. Horton	158	162	144	464
	677	695	677	2,049

AMERICAN CLUB—1

Mrs. Evans	134	150	135	39[illegible]
Mrs. Donaldson	105	136	110	351
Mrs. Jessen	118	121	121	400
Mrs. Deegan	147	143	136	426
Mrs. Lamneck	127	143	118	388
	631	703	630	1,91[illegible]

C.C.C. REDS—2

Mrs. Putman	169	129	133	451
Mrs. Manney	88	104	169	361
Mrs. Laidlaw	106	129	143	378
Miss Hykes	172	199	150	521
Mrs. McDonnell	172	192	140	504
	698	782	675	2,155

MARINE LADIES—1

Mrs. Allen	112	104	130	336
Mrs. Johnston	152	145	143	441
Mrs. Krulak	105	165	120	390
Mrs. Cloud	147	153	161	461
Mrs. Nelson	161	134	173	468
	677	701	717	2,036

FOREIGN Y.M.C.A.—3

Miss Hughes	133	133	156	422
Mrs. Mortimer	147	141	131	419
Miss Volein	128	122	153	403
Mrs. Collaco	143	134	—	277
Mrs. Malleck	165	185	160	510
Mrs. Swan	—	—	113	113
	715	715	713	2,143

GERMAN GARDEN CLUB—0

Mrs. Rackholz	144	84	99	327
Mrs. Dietrich	94	136	147	377
Mrs. Von Aster	131	164	161	466
Mrs. Brand	170	165	133	468
Mrs. Groesser	125	125	125	375
	664	674	665	2,003

Erin Villa "A" Lose At Volleyball

The Women's Volleyball League saw Erin Villa "A" suffer their first defeat in the season at the hands of After Class by the odd game in three.

The Chinese showed better teamwork and rallied well whereas the Erin girls were brilliant only at times. The first set went to the Chinese who had no difficulty to win, 15-3. But the trailers came back in time to stop the opponents in the second set. With Erin Villa winning by 15-10, a third set was necessary in which the after class finished on top of a 15-6 score.

After Class:—L. C. Chang, N. C. Chang, C. H. Ho, C. M. Loh, C. Wang, Y. L. Cheng, Z. C. Wong.

Erin Villa "A":—L. Ellis, M. Lockerbie, G. Tershoff, A. Chue, A. Waller, L. Beale, F. Brandt.

Golden Gate Polo

San Francisco, Apr. 9.

The Hurlingham polo team won the Gold Gate international exposition championship today by defeating the quartette representing the West of the United States, 11 goals to 10, after an extra chukker.

Hasketh Hughes led the Hurlingham squad to victory by scoring the deciding goal in the overtime session.—United Press.

Russian Regiment Win At Volleyball

Fong Kong Beaten in Two Sets at Foreign "Y"

The Russian Regiment, defending champions in the Foreign Y.M.C.A. Invitation Volleyball League, registered a fine victory over Fong Kong "A" in the main event on last night's programme, finishing in two straight sets, 15-10 and 15-7.

Fong Kong jumped off to lead twice in the early part of the contest. The Russians trailed at first by 2-0 and then by 7-2. Abramoff and Chernoff woke up in time to put a stop to the Chinese team's attack, first deadlocking the score and then nosing ahead to lead by 10-7 before the margin was again tied by Fong Kong. With a final burst, mainly through Abramoff's hard smashes, the Russians captured the opening set at 15-10.

The Chinese weakened in the following session and lost an advantage of 4-1. The winners gradually increased the margin, with Chernoff coming into the limelight.

Russian Regiment:—Chernoff, Dioksin, Abramoff, Makedonsky, Abramoff, Sherstokoff.

Fong Kong:—T. C. Liu, S. H. Lee, S. P. Yuen, B. K. Kwoh, W. K. Chang, C. P. Kwan.

St. Xavier's Defeated

The St. Francis Xavier's College bowed in defeat to Menora after a hard struggle in the second set which twice reached deuce. In the first set the collegians were completely outplayed as Menora smashed successfully and emerged on top by a 15-5 score. The second set, however, saw a different story with the college team putting up a determined stand to tie the margin many times. At 15-all, Menora bagged two points in a row and the losers failed to put the ball over the net.

Menora:—Hirshorn, Fuchs, Jordin, Furman, Polotsky, Nissenbaum.

S.F.X.:—Kirloff, F. Foyn, W. Patterson, B. Ozario, M. Karolitch, S. Schultz, W. Beeman.

Iejov Ousted From Soviet Cabinet

Moscow, Apr. 10.

M. Nicolas Iejov, one-time Commissar for Home Affairs and head of the dreaded Ogpu failed to be included in the ministerial reshuffle provoked by the division of the Water Transport Commissariat, of which he has been Commissar since December last year, into two separate Commissariats.—Havas.

100,000 Chinese Said Defeated

Wakamatsu Detachment's Claim to Fame; Tramp Over 170 Km. of Terrain

Wuning, Apr. 10.

Japanese sentries patrolling the lines on the outskirts of this occupied city last Friday were amazed at the sight of a long column of bewhiskered, grimy, sunburned soldiers and booty-laden oxen and donkeys plodding into Wuning from adjacent mountains.

Rushing out to meet their unknown comrades, garrison officers learned that they belonged to the Wakamatsu Detachment—famed for its valour at Hankow—trekking into Wuning after campaigning for twelve days in the Kiuling Mountains and defeating 100,000 Chinese troops.

Disclosure today of the exploits of this "Alpine detachment," which tramped 170 km. on mountain trails —many so hazardous that lives often depended on a few inches of earth and the sure feet of stolid donkeys —gave the Wakamatsu Detachment the distinction of having taken part in one of the most spectacular manœuvres of the entire campaign south of the Siu River.

Starting its operations at Loki on March 20, the detachment crossed the Siu River under fire at Chinkeu, eight kilometres west of Loki, on March 21.

At Yangchow, 24 km. south of Loki, the detachment defeated 1,000 Chinese on March 24, taking about 80 prisoners among whom were commanders of a battalion and a company.

After the victory at Yangchow the detachment pushed up into the Kiuling Mountains. An engineering unit led the way and widened the narrow trails wherever possible as the long file of soldiers and horses scrambled up steep, rocky slopes and ledges and threaded slowly along the brink of deep chasms.

Engineering work was accomplished at great risk and the soldiers were threatened frequently with death in a plunge from the trails. Acrobatic feats which required legs as nimble as a goat's and nerves as steady as a wooden Indian's were performed sometimes as the engineers spanned gaping ravines with logs and the following column clambered up improvised ladders or guided horses over log bridges.

They negotiated the trails for 40 km. then covered another stretch of 20 km. arriving east of Hwangyashan and Likiapien, both 1,300 metres above sea level.

The trails became steeper and one horse after another slipped off the trails and tumbled into an abyss. One hundred horses were lost in this manner, some crashing to instant death on the rocks. As the soldiers pushed on they could hear the shrill screams of dying horses resounding through the valleys.

Pressing onward as rapidly as possible the column neared Miaochienkai, strategic mountain town where 3,000 Chinese were entrenched in readiness to offer stout resistance.

Defenders Routed

Attacking from the front and rear, the Japanese routed the defending force in a single day, March 26.

They continued their advance and the following day reached Tsingan at the southern foot of the mountains, having traversed a total distance of 170 km.

At Shankeukai, a town noted for its scenic beauty the Japanese routed 3,000 Chinese troops and pushed on to the north. They reached Tangfow, northwest of Tsingan, on April I and continued to Hsiashuikeu and Chuyehkang. At the latter town they encountered the last concentration of Chinese troops in the mountains. In a furious battle lasting one day the Japanese scattered 6,000 Chinese at this place.

On April 4 the Japanese came down from the mountains on the northern side and concentrated at Changlimun, four kilometres from Wuning. After crossing the Siu River again at a place 32 km. up-stream from the first fording site, the detachment entered Wuning.—Domei.

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DEATH

D'ASSIS.—On Sunday, April 9, 1939, at the Paulun Hospital, Shanghai, ALVARO IGNACIO d'Assis, aged 27 years, the dearly-beloved brother of Arthur and Armando (Bunny) d'Assis. Removed to the parlours of the International Funeral Directors, 207 Kiaochow Road. Requiem Mass will be held tomorrow, Wednesday, April 12 at the Church of Christ the King, 235 Rue Bourgeat, at 8 a.m., to be followed by interment at the Bubbling Well Cemetery at 5 p.m. (Hongkong and Macao papers please copy.) 12032

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GIBRALTAR

In view of the general situation in Europe today's anniversary, that of the cession of Gibraltar to Great Britain, is of singular interest. Though the peninsula which had been fortified ever since the time of Tariq in 711 was captured from the Spanish by British and Netherland forces in 1704, it was not until April 11, 1713, that the formal act of cession was signed, and Gibraltar entered into British possession to pass through eventful times which may prove to be the precursor of more stirring times to come. British possession did not go unchallenged, and it was not until almost a century later that struggles for its possession ceased with the conclusion of the four year siege, from 1779 to 1783, a struggle the details of which are filled with that spirit which the world has come to recognize as typically British. That siege was a time when British fortitude, and endurance were taxed to the utmost, when gallant feats carried supplies to the beleaguered fortress, and British ingenuity improved upon the scant facilities for defence at its disposal, made effective discoveries in the art of gunnery as known in those days, and eventually fought off the floating batteries, which were sent against it in a final attempt to reduce the stronghold, with the red hot iron shot which proved so destructive that eventually every one of the battering ships, protected as was best possible, had either been blown up, or burnt to the water line. Outgunned, having less than one hundred pieces of artillery, the garrison fired 8,300 rounds, with such decisive result that though in 1801 there were rumours of a combined Spanish and French attack upon the stronghold it came to nothing, owing to the defeat of the Spanish at Algeciras by Admiral Saumarez. From 1783 the history of the Rock has been practically uneventful. It had become the British watch tower on her imperial sea routes, as important before Suez, as it undoubtedly was afterwards.

Of the importance of Gibraltar to the British Empire there cannot be the slightest doubt. Situated at the western end of the Mediterranean it is as important a control of the sea routes passing through to Suez and the Far East, as Aden at the farther extremity of the Red Sea. It is possible that temporary setbacks may in the event of war somewhat change the situation in the Mediterranean itself, but so long as those outposts of Empire are maintained, ultimate control will still remain in the hands of the British. It is conceivable that in the event of a European war Gibraltar will be subjected to desperate attacks for the purpose of its subjugation. Already there are signs that such attacks will not come from the sea as in the past, but from the land, and reports to the effect that fortifications are being built in Spanish territory within gun range of Gibraltar seem to be sufficient corroboration of the view that such an attempt has been considered by those nations which believe that they will ultimately find themselves at war with Great Britain and her allies. The late Governor of Gibraltar in a recent speech declared that at the time of the crisis in September last year the peninsula was badly equipped with air defence, alleging that there were only four anti-aircraft guns on the Rock, two at either end. That, fortunately has since been remedied, and even he is understood to be sufficiently satisfied with the equipment which has since been supplied. The manner in which the Rock itself has been honeycombed with galleries suggests that it is capable of withstanding the most powerful punishment by gunfire and aerial bombardment, and so far as the wit of man can make any position impregnable it may be said that Gibraltar has so been made. But there is not only the material and positional strength of the place to be considered. Behind them both is the British realization that in such places as Gibraltar the future of the Empire rests.

That is reinforced by the determination that, come what may, Gibraltar shall not pass into other hands if British valour, and determination can prevent it. The combination of material and psychological facts makes the Rock one of the very keystones of the Empire, and, though attempts against it may be expected in the future if present trends develop unfavourably, there need be little fear that if a struggle does eventuate Gibraltar will emerge from it still in the possession of that Empire which has known how to value it during the 226 years of ownership. Its defence presents problems which have not been evidenced during that lengthy period. Short of the defeat of the British Navy, it does not appear that there is much probability of its being subjected to a naval attack. Rather does it seem likely that a potential enemy would seek to reduce the fortress by bombardment from land batteries, and then to advance troops over the narrow isthmus in an endeavour to reduce the stronghold. That may present a somewhat different problem from those which have been posed in the past, and there can be little doubt that in schemes for the defence of Gibraltar that possibility has been taken into full account. Control of the Straits of Gibraltar is as imperative to Great Britain as it is to France. The latter's concern is that the fortress commands the sea routes between France, and her possessions in north Africa. Those might be endangered from the operations of an enemy Power in the Mediterranean, but Gibraltar will provide a convenient base from which to conduct a defence of those sea routes, while there is also the fact to be remembered, that no matter which nation secures dominance of the Mediterranean, the success is not complete until it has been able to pass unhindered out into the open world. That will have to be fought for, and the world may rest satisfied that such a fight would indeed be an epic with great honour to whoever proved to be the victor.

Murder in Tientsin

Nothing but the strongest condemnation can be expressed concerning the latest shooting outrage in Tientsin in which the Chinese Superintendent of Customs, and M. Charles Glauser, a Swiss, were killed, and a Tartar, M. Talat Mansouroff, wounded in an attempt to apprehend the assassin. The identity of the Chinese killed, and his connection with the northern administration suggest that this is but another of those political assassinations which have been one of the unfortunate features of the China Incident, in which neutral settlements have been availed of by certain ill-advised Chinese to carry on a warfare by murder of the most reprehensible kind. This journal was recently taken to task by the "Ta Kung Pao," in Chungking for similar sentiments expressed in connection with the last assassinations in Shanghai. There has been nothing which has occurred since to modify the opinions which were then expressed. Murders of this kind have nothing whatever to commend them. To assert that they are inspired by patriotic motives is to present no reasons for condonation. The "Ta Kung Pao" sought to justify the Shanghai assassinations by alleging that during the Great War Britain killed its traitors. It is readily admitted that this is true, but the difference between the two cases is this, that whereas individual Chinese decide themslves who are traitors, and proceed to put into effect what they conceive to be the law on the subject, traitors to Great Britain were duly tried by due process of law, and then only when their guilt was fully established were the accused condemned to the sole punishment for treason in times of warfare. There is still another aspect of the matter over which responsible Chinese may care to ponder. In the neutral foreign Concessions along the China coast, millions of Chinese are living in security which is denied them in other parts of the country. It is sheer cowardice to avail themselves of that protection on the one hand, and on the other seek to use it as a cover for their nefarious behaviour.

Severed Relations

The Easter action of the Evangelical Church in Nazi Germany in severing relations with the Archbishop of Canterbury because of his alleged "anti-Nazi agitation and Bolshevik tendencies" should not cause the British prelate a moment's worry. It would not be surprising to learn that this was the first intimation to the Church of England that relations which could be severed existed between it and the German church, outside those relations which must inevitably bind together those who strive with a common purpose towards the realization of Christ's kingdom upon earth. And it can hardly be believed that the German leaders intend to intimate that co-operation in this cause, which is after all the principal *raison d'être* of all churches, is to be discontinued because of political differences. Unfortunately the German church is divided, and that part of it which has been unable to incorporate sections of the National Socialist ideology in its creed has been firmly repressed. The belief that war is an end in itself, which is entertained by many of the Nazi leaders, is incompatible with a religion that preaches peace on earth, and goodwill; and thus a large number of German Protestants have been forced into conscientious disagreement with their authorities which no amount of political interference with the leadership of the Evangelical Church has been able to change. Though there is margin enough to disagree with the Archbishop of Canterbury's utterances on international affairs on many points, His Grace has been in the best company in urging the preservation of peace and deploring the doctrine of force which is the weapon of power diplomacy. The late Pontiff and the present occupant of the Holy See have made similar appeals—appeals which have the sympathy of all right-thinking citizens of the world.

The Island of Corfu

If Corfu becomes involved in the Near Eastern political struggle arising from Italian occupation of Albania and the possibility of British action to guarantee Greece against unprovoked aggression, it will be another chapter in the long and turbulent history of this ancient island which, according to local tradition, was mentioned by Homer who referred to it as Scheria. Lying in the Ionian Sea off the coast of Albania, Corfu is described as the most beautiful of all Greek islands, mainly agricultural with a large olive oil trade, and an important port of call. It was originally settled by natives of Corinth but by the seventh century B.C. it had developed through its splendid commercial position between Greece and the West that it had acquired a degree of independence when it was able to produce a fleet large enough to challenge the mother country and the first naval battle in Greek history was fought, about 664 B.C., when Corinth won and was able to enforce its authority more effectively. During the Persian invasion, Corfu again demonstrated its naval power and for two centuries until it was conquered by Rome its importance from a naval point of view was emphasized. Under Octavian, it was used as a base in the operations against Antony and for a thousand years it attracted attention from new dynasties, adventurers, pirates and privateers. In 1267 it passed to the Neapolitan house of Anjou and later came under the protection of Venice. It was attacked several times by Turkish forces but withstood terrific sieges, but Venetian influence waned until virtual independence was again achieved. In later years it vaccilated between French and British control, the former occupying it for two years, and later for a longer period. By the Treaty of Paris, Corfu, with other Ionian Islands, on November 5, 1815 was placed under the protectorate of Great Britain, and British administration continued with vast economic improvements to the island, until 1864 when Corfu and the other islands were ceded to Greece. After the first Balkan war of 1912, Italy raised the question of the Corfu channel, and during the war it was again involved in political developments for the French landed on January 11, 1916, and retreating Serbian soldiers also crossed over from the mainland, and made the island their temporary home. The modern history of Corfu in relation to Italy started in 1923 when General Tellini, Italian delegation for the delimitation of the Albanian frontier, was assassinated, and an Italian fleet attacked and bombarded the island, exacting a big indemnity from Greece for the affair, after which Italy withdrew. Since then, the Italian Adriatic policy has developed in a more definite manner and the occupation of Albania last week may result in British action once again involving this island which has so long a history.

IN PARENTHESIS

In the Money

POOR old Smith! He lost his fortune a year after he got marrried. "How did his wife take it?" "Oh," came the reply, "a thousand here and a thousand there."

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Saturdays Only

A BEGINNER at golf decided to take out a caddie. The lad watched him go round in 280 and didn't say a word. The would-be golfer was so pleased that the boy had kept quiet that he gave him an extra big tip. "Thank you, sir," said the caddie, "And will you be working here again next Saturday, sir?"

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Wholesale Infection

THE mother of a small girl who had just got over the measles, received the Doctor's bill, which she considered to be very high. She telephoned the doctor, and complained of this. "But," said the doctor, "I made eleven visits." "I know," said the mother "but you ought to take into consideration the fact that she infected the whole school."

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Jargon

THE small daughter of a racehorse owner, accustomed to stable jargon, was once, unobserved, in the room when her mother discussed the advancing of the governess and the sad necessity of parting with her.

A little voice suddenly pleaded:

"Oh, don't send her away, Mummie! Can't you keep her for breeding?"

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Ruled Out

WHILE paying his bill in a restaurant, a customer was stopped by the waiter who said: "Excuse me, sir, but the rules do not allow us to accept bent coins from customers." "Ah-ha!" said the customer, "That's the very half-crown I got in my change when I had lunch here yesterday." "Very likely, sir, we have no rule that prevents us from giving bent coins to customers."

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To the Incinerator

A MOTOR-lorry was being filled with snow taken off the roads by emergency street-cleaners during the "white" week just before Christmas. Two dear old ladies were watching the proceedings with great interest.

"What do you think they do with all that snow?" asked one of them.

"Well, I don't quite know," was the reply. "It's not much use to anybody, so I suppose they'll just burn it!"

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Worries

"You know," said Brown, "I honestly believe that most of our sorrows come from things that do not happen."

"You're right," replied Green, with feeling. "Some years ago I bought a rubber plantation and lived in agonies of anxiety because we had two severe winters. I fancied that the cold would kill off the tender plants. In the third year I was informed that the trees had never been planted."

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"Went"

A SMALL boy at school was the worry of his grammar teacher's life, because he would insist on saying "I have went." The teacher therefore kept him in after school one day and made him write "I have gone" 100 times on the blackboard saying that she would be back in an hour. When he had finished, the teacher had not returned, so he wrote her a note on the blackboard which read "Dear Teacher, I have wrote 'I have gone' 100 times and I have went home."

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Up, Up and Up

A SLEEPY-looking lad lounged at the entrance to a large boarding-house.

"Here, you, boy," said a fussy man to him, "where does Mr. Smith live?"

"I'll show you, sir," said the lad, and he started to climb the stairs. Up six flights he went, with the visitor toiling up behind him. Finally, he stopped at an open door.

"This is where Mr. Smith lives," announced the boy.

The visitor, peering into the room, remarked: "Oh, but he doesn't seem to be at home though."

"No," replied the boy. "He was standing at the entrance as we came in."

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Practical Prayer

PAT approached the priest, a bit bashfully, as he was a rather notorious character. He wanted to make a request. "Well, Pat, and what can I be doing for ye?" asked the priest.

"Faith, yer honour, would ye do me the kindness to say a prayer for Mary Jane at Dublin?"

"Sure I will, Pat; as many as ye like."

Some days later the priest again met Pat, and asked if he wished the prayers for Mary Jane to be continued.

"Sure, not at all, yer riv'rence," came the reply, "wasn't she after winning the 2.30 yesterday at ten to one?"

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Our Society Editors

WHAT with this and that, goings out to goings on, Easter and a busy social calendar, there is no reason why our local society editors get a little bit confused and lose a sense of time in their giddy social world. One of them was positively flustered on Sunday writing about last week's goings on—"theatres, dances, end of the season tournaments—badminton, bowling and hockey."

She told her readers:

> On Saturday, March 1, the Royal Air Force Association held their annual dinner and 21st birthday anniversary celebration at the Dome.

That ought to astonish the ex-pilots of the R.A.F. Association who thought they held it on April 1.

And again:

> The next musical event that was keenly looked forward to was the rendering this past week of Pergolese's "Sabat Mater." Maestro Mario Paci conducted...Obviously Thursday night March 6, was the occasion for several large parties and the foyer proved most interesting.

Obviously, March 6 was a good day. There is nothing like holding these parties a month ahead of time to avoid the rush.

And again:

> Wednesday saw the return from their honeymoon and home leave of the F.....'s. The "At Home" which was scheduled for March 4, was changed to March 5, as their boat was late.

The mystery did not unravel itself in a subsequent paragraph:

> Mr. and Mrs. F.....were entertained at a cocktail party in their honour on Tuesday.

Ah, well, everybody knows how hospitable these Shanghai cocktail parties do get.

THE WEATHER

Temperature near Holy Trinity Cathedral Shanghai 24 hours ending 7 p.m.:—

Yesterday	Min. 49.5	Max. 64.0
Same date, 1938	Min. 44.0	Max. 62.0

Rainfall .02

Temperature at Siccawei:—

Yesterday	Min. 49.3	Max. 67.1
Same date, 1938	Min. 39.4	Max. 64.4

Siccawei's Report

State on the morning of the 9th:—High and falling pressure over China. Depression over Hupeh moving north-eastward. Northerly to easterly winds along the China Coast. Fine to cloudy weather. Rainy in Central China.

State on the morning of the 10th:—Overcast weather with rain drops. Easterly wind. High and unsteady pressure.

Probabilities, 4.30 p.m. yesterday:—Cloudy, mild and rather fine weather with south-westerly winds and sand around Shantung. Cloudy to overcast with mist or threatening rain at times with south-easterly breezes over our regions and along the Coast to the south of the Saddles.—Siccawei Observatory.

Italy Gives Assurances On Corfu to Britain

Parliament Will Meet on Thursday ; Formal Guarantees for Greece Considered ; Talks on Mutual Aid Pacts in Progress for Balkans

London, Apr. 10.

REPORTS circulated abroad that the British Mediterranean Fleet had been concentrated off Corfu and the coast of Greece was categorically denied by the Admiralty today. Meanwhile, all but two of the 22 Ministers were present at a meeting of the Cabinet at 11 o'clock this morning—the first on a bank holiday in several years—to hear a report from Lord Halifax, the Foreign Secretary, on events since Thursday, and to consider the Opposition request to recall Parliament. Additional police were drafted to control the large crowds who watched the arrival of the Ministers in bright sunshine. Mr. Neville Chamberlain, the Prime Minister, presided at the meeting. Captain David Margesson, Chief Government Whip, attended for twenty minutes. It was later officially announced that Parliament would meet on Thursday, April 13, "in the interest of the public."

There had previously been considerable diplomatic activity throughout the day. Lord Halifax, had conversations with the Greek Minister in London, M. Charalambos Simopoulos; Mr. Neville Chamberlain, and the French Ambassador in London, M. Charles Corbin. This afternoon, Lord Halifax, accompanied by Sir Alexander Cadogan, Permanent Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs, visited the offices of the Committee of Imperial Defence, where he had a conference with Viscount Gort, Chief of the Imperial Staff and Vice-Admiral A. B. Cunningham, Deputy Chief of the Naval Staff. Lord Halifax also saw the Italian Charge d'Affaires, Signor Crolla, who, it is understood, gave categorical assurances regarding the limited character of Italian action in Albania. A number of disquieting rumours had led Lord Halifax to see Signor Crolla three times today.

The Cabinet sat for 2¼ hours. As the Ministers left Downing Street, large Bank Holiday crowds, who had been waiting all morning, cheered and clapped their hands. Lord Halifax, Mr. Hore-Belisha, Secretary of War, and Lord Chatfield, Minister for Co-ordination of Defence, were particularly cheered.

It is learned in London that all units of the Mediterranean Fleet visiting Italian ports left on April 8. They include the battleship Warspite, flagship of the Commander-in-Chief, which sailed from San Remo. No official information regarding their destination is available, but it is explained that owing to the obscure situation in Albania, the withdrawal of the ships, which were on courtesy visits, would avoid embarrassment for all concerned.

It is stated in authoritative circles that Lord Halifax left Signor Crolla in no doubt regarding the serious view taken by the British Government over the Italian action in Albania and also regarding the strength of British feeling on the subject.

Due note has been taken officially of the assurances given by Signor Crolla, and Lord Perth, the British Ambassador in Rome, has been informed of them and also of the general tenor of the conversations, which are understood to have covered any and every kind of rumour.

It may be stated that anxieties over the situation are now somewhat less than they were this morning. Official circles have nothing to say on the possible effect of the Italian action in Albania on future British policy, which doubtless will be discussed at tomorrow's Cabinet meeting.

Anxiety for the safety of Sir Andrew Ryan, the British Minister to Albania, have been dispelled by the receipt of a number of telegrams from him dated from Durazzo.—Reuter.

Italy Gives Assurances

London, Apr. 10.

It is authoritatively understood that the Italian Charge d'Affaires, Signor Crolla, has given the British Government the precise assurances requested by Britain regarding Corfu, and has declared that the Italian Government would give the same assurances to the Greek Government.

Britain asked Italy to give a specific assurance that Italy had no intentions against Corfu and would never occupy that island, and that a similar assurance should be given the Greek Government. Political circles stress that Great Britain thus obtained satisfaction.

It is not yet known whether the British Government will give an immediate guarantee of assistance to Greece or wait for development in the general negotiations taking place in Central and Eastern Europe. Political quarters pointed out, however, that the Prime Minister, Mr. Neville Chamberlain, will meet the two Opposition leaders in the House of Commons, Mr. C. R. Attlee and Sir Archibald Sinclair, before this afternoon's Cabinet meeting as he always does before taking an important decision. Observers believe a final decision will probably be taken this afternoon.

Mr. Charalambos Simopoulos and M. Virgil Tilea, respectively Greek and Rumanian Ministers in London,

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London Press Urge Stronger Stand

Rome Assurances Now Doubted ; "The Times" On Bulgarian Action

London, Apr. 10.

The press here gave considerable prominence this morning to yesterday's exceptional diplomatic activity in London.

Despite the assurances given by Rome that Italy's action is strictly limited to Albania, most of the papers stated that no more faith can be attached to Signor Mussolini's word than to Herr Hitler's. Several diplomatic editors announced that the Cabinet decided to speed up negotiations with the Balkan States, while some declared that Mr. Neville Chamberlain, the Prime Minister, is expected to make a statement before Parliament, which will be recalled precisely for this either on Wednesday or Thursday.

The "Daily Mail" says "Mr. Chamberlain will arrange for Parliament to meet for one day on Wednesday or Thursday for the purpose of making a statement on policy."

"In Britain, the pressing necessity is a preparation for war," the "Daily Express" stated. "By such preparations we may find peace. It is only by being strong whenever a threat comes that we can hope to give guarantees of peace to our people."

"At last," the "Daily Herald" declares, "the democracies are making their policy consistent with what is required by the dangers in which they stand. Realistic appreciation of dangers is not enough. There must be speed, and still more speed, in meeting them."

"The Times" announced from Rome that "in quarters which have accurately predicted German moves in the past, it is thought that within a very few weeks Bulgaria will be advanced on the diplomatic chessboard as a pawn of the two dictators."—Havas.

Bulgaria as Next "Pawn"

London, Apr. 10.

Well-informed Italian circles consider that Bulgaria will be advanced on the diplomatic chess-board as an "Axis Pawn" by the Axis Powers, who will sponsor Bulgarian demands for the free port of Salonika, according to the Rome correspondent of "The Times." If this is done, he adds, a corridor to the Aegean Sea will be demanded, which, unless effectively opposed by Britain and France, would lead to a demand to Rumania to hand over the Dobruja district, on the Black Sea.

Official American opinion appears to consider the Albanian episode only the first of a series of grave events and that a Danzig "crisis" is imminent, says the New York correspondent of "The Times."

In a leading article on the situation, "The Times" dismisses the Italian pretext that the invaders were invited by oppressed Albanians. One of the immediate motives, it says, was "that it was time for Italian pride to be gratified." The journal considers that the invasion of Albania can only have been effected for strategic reasons, in order to provide a bridgehead to the Balkans.—Reuter.

French Press Opinions

Paris, Apr. 10.

The entire press this morning commented at length on the international situation while reports from foreign correspondents were given considerable prominence.

"Le Petit Journal," in a message from Berlin, viewed the military situation optimistically. "The famous Siegfried line was patched up hastily in a few months while the Maginot Line, a few examples of which, being included in the fortifications of Bohemia, were handed over without combat to the curiosity of German technicians, and caused the Generals of the Reichswehr to go very pale, had demanded years of efforts," this paper stated. "Nevertheless, thanks to the powerful support of the Third Reich's propaganda, these fortifications hastily erected become, in the eyes of the world, as important as those representing a degree of perfection never yet attained."

Writing in "L'Oeuvre," Mme. Genevieve Tabouis, diplomatic editor of that paper, reported that "General Franco may take advantage of his national entry into Madrid to deliver an address in which he would make known the general lines of the new Spanish imperialism. "It is stated in Rome that Spain will place her entire military and economic forces at the disposal of the German and Italian Mediterranean pretentions."—Havas.

Tientsin New Regime High Official Shot

Customs Chief and Swiss Engineer Die In Cinema Affray

Tientsin, Apr. 10.

A high Chinese official of the new Chinese regime in North China was assassinated in a Tientsin cinema last night, while a Swiss engineer was killed by a stray shot and another foreigner, who tried to prevent the escape of the assailant, received a wound from which he has only a fighting chance of recovering.

The murdered Chinese was Mr. Chen Lien-shih, Superintendent of Customs at Tientsin, who was appointed to this post recently. He was formerly manager of the Tientsin branch of the Federal Reserve Bank.

The Swiss citizen who was killed was Mr. Charles Glauser, chief engineer of the Energie Electrique de Tientsin, who was due to retire shortly. He was a married man.

The assailant, an oriental dressed in foreign clothes, eluded capture, and is still at large. There is no clue to his identity, and an active search has so far produced no trace of him.

The shooting occurred at about 7.30 p.m. while the audience was raptly following the picture on the screen, "Gunga Din."

Carefully Planned Attack

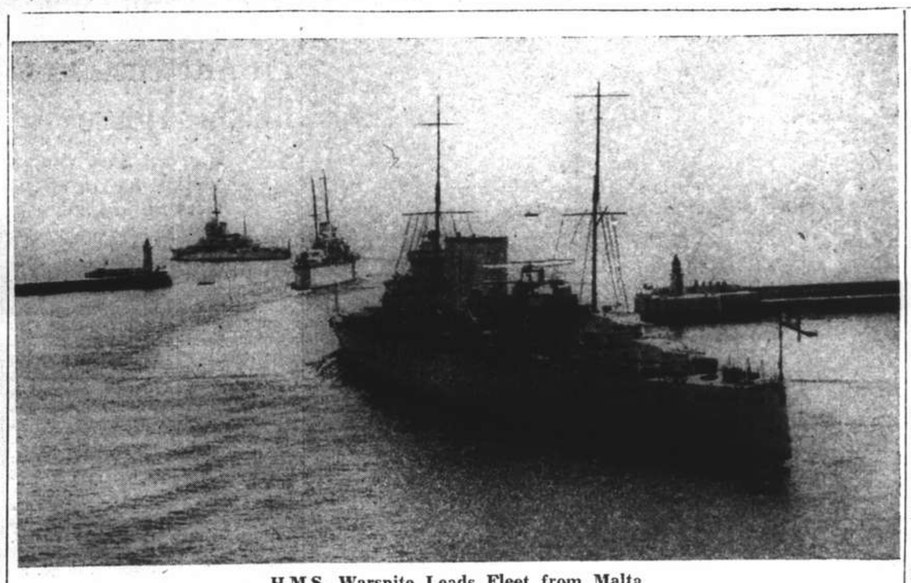
The victim of what appeared to be a carefully premeditated attack, Mr. Chen was shot from behind, his assailant firing four bullets at him in rapid succession.

As the assassin was making his escape, his flight was interrupted by a Tartar named Talat Mansoureff, a well-known local athlete.

Mansoureff gallantly grappled with the man, but was forced to release his hold when he received a bullet in the abdomen. Another shot struck Mr. Glauser, who was fatally wounded.

Mansoureff was rushed to hospital, where an operation was immediately performed for the removal of the bullet, which had lodged itself in his body. His condition was described late last night as "serious but not hopeless," and it was still grave this afternoon, when his doctors said he had only a fighting chance of recovering.

Mr. Chen Lien-shih is believed to have been shot as a "traitor."—Reuter.



H.M.S. Warspite Leads Fleet from Malta

Although H.M.S. Warspite, with H.M.S. Aberdeen, left San Remo, Italy, the British Admiralty categorically denied the report (not in the "N.C.D.N.") that there had been any concentration of the British Mediterranean Fleet off Corfu and the Greek coast. The picture shows H.M.S. Warspite leading H.M.S. London and the Sussex out of Malta harbour when the Mediterranean Fleet left that base last July for the annual summer cruise.

Greece Becomes Focus of European Stage

With reports of possible British guarantees being extended to Greece, that country now becomes centre of the European political stage. Rumours have it that the Italian occupation of Albania is the first move for the march, if necessary, on Salonika to hold the strategic strip bordering Yugoslavia and leading into Bulgaria from where, according to "The Times" correspondent, the next move with Sofia as the pawn of the Axis, will come. Shaded areas shown above were given to Greece after the Great War but re-taken by Turkey after the 1921-22 campaign which Greeks do not find easy to forget.

"Neutrality Natural Attitude of Sweden"

Defence Minister States Guarantees Uncertain

Stockholm, Apr. 9.

"The risks of a policy of collaboration with Powers other than those of the north are too great and he guarantees too uncertain," declared Mr. Skoeld, the Defence Minister, in a speech made here today.

"Neutrality," he added, "is the natural attitude of our country."

He emphasised the need of calm at present and declared that chances of success in defence against possible aggression were just as great as risks of failure. Mr. Skoeld, concluded by dwelling on the strength of Sweden's defences.—Reuter.

Albanian Government Sends Homage to Signor Mussolini

Il Duce Postpones Visit to Tirana ; Troops Praised for Swiftness of Occupation

Rome, Apr. 10.

WELL-informed quarters here state Signor Mussolini has cancelled the trip he was to have made today to Tirana where he was to deliver an important speech. Diplomatic circles declare this was due to weather conditions and also because Il Duce is awaiting the results of the diplomatic conversations taking place in various European capitals regarding Italy's action in Albania.

At present assuring the administrative control of Albania is a temporary committee composed of Albanian officers and civil servants from Milan, Stefani disclosed yesterday afternoon. This committee sent a telegram of homage to Signor Benito Mussolini that, "Today we greeted the glorious Italian Army with the same spirit and feelings that you have so often demonstrated in your relations with Albania. As delegates of the Albanian nation, which is so firmly attached by friendship for the great Italian nation, we are proud to receive in our land the symbol of Italian power represented by her Army. We reaffirm the loyalty of our nation and we are awaiting with confidence the realization of the programme outlined by Count Galeazzo Ciano (Italian Foreign Minister)—a programme of 'Order, prosperity, and political and social justice within the framework of Fascist liberty'."

Congratulations for the "wonderful rapidity" with which Italian forces occupied Albania, were addressed by Signor Mussolini yesterday to General Guzzoni, Commander of the Italian troops in that country. Il Duce sent a telegram expressing the gratitude of the Italian nation to the officers and men of the forces in Albania for their decisive action.

Immediately upon his return yesterday from Tirana, Count Galeazzo Ciano, Foreign Minister, called on Signor Mussolini and conferred at length with Il Duce.

Italian residents of Albania who left that country just before the landing of Italian troops, began to return to their homes yesterday. The first batch left Bari after spending a few days in that port.

Il Duce's Generosity

During his stay in the Albanian capital, Count Ciano took the necessary steps to distribute the sum of gold Frs. 190,000 allocated by Signor Mussolini for the poor in Albania, the official Stefani news agency reported today. Furthermore, a vessel loaded with foodstuffs and warm clothing is expected to reach Durazzo today.

High Italian officials arrived in Tirana yesterday morning to organize news-dissemination services in Albania, the semi-official Stefani news agency announced. It added that foreign journalists, who also arrived by aeroplane today, were able to see for themselves the tendencious character of early Albanian reports on the aerial bombardment and destruction of Durazzo.

While Italian aeroplanes flew over all of Albania yesterday, infantry detachments recorded steady progress in all directions in their drive into the country, the semi-official Stefani news agency reported. Italian troops reached Argirocastro, in south Albania, Stefani added, to be greeted by a "most friendly Albanian population."

Perfect order was established today in Tirana, where shops were reopened and Italian and Albanian flags were hoisted along all streets amidst joyful celebrations.

Since Saturday, armed bands came into Tirana to surrender to the Italian authorities and give up their arms and ammunition. On Saturday evening, Italian soldiers reached Scutari, strategic town near the Yugoslavian border; Alessio, San Giovanni de Medua, Elbassan, Fereri, Valona and Melvino, Stefani revealed.

Stefani also reported that the Albanian Minister to Bulgaria sent a message to Il Duce, condemning King Zog's Government, which he said, "odiously persecuted the Albanian nation." He thanked Signor Mussolini for the present action undertaken by the Italian Army, "which freed Albanians from the dishonourable elements enslaving them."—Havas.

Albanian Crown Offered

London, Apr. 10.

A group of Albanian notables, headed by a chieftain named Gioni, offered the crown of Albania to King Victor Emmanuel in the name of the Albanian people before the occupation of Tirana, according to the Rome correspondent of the "Daily Telegraph."

According to the "Voce d'Italia," Gioni is the chieftain of the Mirdites, a northern Albanian tribe, who proffess the Roman Catholic religion.—Reuter.

"Beloved Il Duce!"

Rome, Apr. 10.

Wireless stations here today broadcast a speech made in Tirana by the President of the Albanian Administrative Committee condemning the Albanian Administration which he alleged to have brought the country on the brink of civil war.

"Our only hope lay in genial, beloved Il Duce! You, Il Duce, have given us everything," he declared. An appeal was made to Il Duce to form an Albanian Fascist party.—Reuter.

French Leaders in Defence Parleys

Permanent Committee Meets; British Envoy Received Afterwards

Paris, Apr. 9.

The Permanent Supreme Committee of National Defence held an important two-hour conference behind closed doors in the War Ministry between 5 and 7 p.m. today. No communique was published.

Immediately after these parleys, the Premier, M. Edouard Daladier, and the Foreign Minister, M. Georges Bonnet, received Sir Eric Phipps, the British Ambassador, with whom they conversed for half an hour.

A Cabinet meeting is now to meet at 4 p.m. on Tuesday while the Foreign Affairs Committee of the Chamber of Deputies will meet at 4 p.m. on Wednesday.

Full Attendance

Present for today's meeting of the Supreme War Committee were: the Premier, M. Daladier; the Foreign Minister, M. Bonnet; the Navy Minister, M. Cesar Campinichi; the Air Minister, M. Guy La Chambre; General Marie Auguste Gamelin, Army Chief-of-Staff; General Buhrer, Chief-of-Staff of the Colonial Forces; General Joseph Vuillemin, Chief-of-Staff of the Air Force; Rear-Admiral Bourrague, representing Vice-Admiral Francois Darlan, Navy Chief-of-Staff; M. Alexis Leger, Secretary-General of the Foreign Ministry; Rear-Admiral Le Luc and Generals Colson and Decamp, special advisers.—Havas.

Rumanian Delegation To Visit Berlin

Bucharest, Apr. 10.

A large Rumanian delegation, arriving in Berlin on April 18, will join in the celebration of Herr Hitler's birthday.

The Prime Minister and the Minister of War may head the delegation which will definitely include the Ministers of Finance and Trade and high army officers.—Reuter.

Moslems in Tunis and Algiers Angered By Italian Coup Against Albanians

Fascist Agitation and Propaganda Falls Flat ; Loyalty Towards France Expressed by Leaders

Tunis, Apr. 9.

Despite Italian radio propaganda attempts to rouse unrest in Tunisia, the whole country remained quiet and orderly today on the anniversary of last year's nationalist demonstrations.

Tripoli's radio station recently addressed several appeals to the "Neo-Destour" Tunisian Nationalist Party, calling for revolts on the part of Tunisia's Mussulmans. Everyday life continued uninterrupted and the only unusual fact was the high anti-Italian feeling following Rome's coup in Albania, which is also a Mussulman country.

As a result of this anti-Italian feeling, the Italian consulate and other administration buildings had to be guarded by special police detachments. Otherwise, shops remained open and normal life suffered in no way.—Havas.

Algerian Leader's Message

Algiers, Apr. 9.

"We beg you to transmit to the Albanian people our deep sympathy, our feelings of solidarity and our confidence in their near victory," Dr. Ben Djellul, President of the Federation of Musulman Councillors, stated today in a message addressed by his Association to the Governor-General, M. Georges Le Beau.

"We have the honour of respectfully tendering our expression of the emotion and indignation felt by the Musulmans of Algeria against the Italian coup against Albania," the message read. "We protest against this aggression, for which no name can be too harsh and of which the victim is a small Musulman people.

"We assure you anew of the loyalty and patriotism of Algeria's Musulmans, who are confident that France, the chief power in the Moslem world, will safeguard the honour and prestige of all Musulmans."

Telegrams containing this message were also addressed to M. Albert Lebrun, President of France, and to M. Georges Bonnet, French Foreign Minister.—Havas.

British Missionary Killed by Bandits

Canton, Apr. 10.

A British missionary was shot dead last night by bandits at the Presbyterian Mission at Kongchuen, in Kwangtung, within hailing distance of Japanese sentries. He was Dr. O. L. Eaton, a familiar figure in South China, who had been married only last Christmas. Three Chinese nurses gave blood for a transfusion in a vain attempt to save Dr. Eaton's life.

Although more than 20 shots were fired by the bandits, Japanese guards on duty about 200 yards from the scene were totally unaware of the attack until they were informed of it.

Dr. Eaton, a native of Christchurch, New Zealand, was 33 years of age. His body is being brought back to Canton, and will be buried tomorrow.—Reuter.

Italian Marines Attack "Allies"

Little Club a Shambles As Result of Imbroglio; British, French Injured

A sanguinary battle between a large band of Italian marines, estimated by eye-witnesses to number between 35 and 40 men, and a smaller party of British, French and American soldiers and sailors, prompted by an attack by the Italians on a Seaforth Highlander, turned the Little Club in Bubbling Well Road into a shambles before midnight last night.

As a result of the battle the interior of the premises was completely destroyed, two Russian cabaret girls were injured, one of them seriously about the head which necessitated her removal to hospital, three French sailors received severe head wounds and a small number of Seaforths and British and American sailors received minor injuries, most of them being caused by being struck with bottles.

The Italian marines, owing to their superior numbers, did not fare so badly in the fighting but three of their number were known to have been temporarily knocked out by blows from fists. The struggle between the opposing factions was only stopped by the arrival of Italian officers in a large military truck which conveyed the men back to barracks.

First news of the fight came when several cabaret girls were seen running out of the Little Club screaming with blood over their evening gowns. Inside the cabaret other girls not being able to escape had run screaming into the kitchen at the rear of the Club where they sought refuge until the fight was over.

Officers March Out Marines

A "North-China Daily News" reporter, who arrived on the scene a few minutes after the fight had commenced, saw the Italian marines marched out of the Club by their officers. In the road they were ordered to board the large lorry which was standing outside the establishment, the vehicle being filled to capacity by the men, who were driven away a few moments later.

Inside the Club there was an utter scene of devastation, chairs, tables and doors having been smashed out of recognition, while all round the room were flung broken bottles, smashed glasses, flower pots and glass table covers, broken into hundreds of pieces.

Questioned by the reporter, an eye-witness of the fight stated that it began shortly before midnight when a large party of Italian marines came into the Club, passing by a Seaforth Highlander who was sitting alone at a table near the door.

In passing the Scots soldier one of the Italians accidentally brushed the man and without more ado another of the party struck the Seaforth with an implement, believed to have been a bottle, causing a severe cut over the British soldier's right eye.

Two French sailors sitting nearby, seeing this occur came forward to remonstrate with the Italians, being joined by two British sailors and later by two Americans. This was the signal for the fight to start, the Italians being joined by by several other marines who had been sitting in the Club prior to the larger party's arrival.

Picking up chairs, tables, bottles and other articles lying about the place the Italians then commenced to smash up the cabaret while others fought with the British, French and American sailors. Luckily there were several British Petty Officers in the Club, who seeing that their men were heavily outnumbered, shepherded them into the kitchen and out of the establishment.

Meanwhile Russian and Chinese cabaret girls, who were sitting round the dance floor had not been able to escape from the fury of the Italians'

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American Public Favouring Aid for Democracies

Congress to Be Asked to Enact "Cash and Carry" Clause in Neutrality Legislation

Washington, Apr. 9.

THE United States Administration will ask Congress to re-enact the present "cash and carry" clause of the Neutrality Act before it expires on May 1, according to Senator Key Pittman, Democrat from Nevada. This request, he said, will be proposed as a temporary measure, pending the final determination of the decision for revising the Act.—Reuter.

Washington, Apr. 10.

Col. Charles A. Lindbergh will have a busy time in Washington during his forthcoming visit to the United States, it was indicated here today. Mr. Sol Bloom, acting chairman of the House Foreign Affairs Committee, sent a radio message to Col. Lindbergh requesting him to testify before the committee during hearings on proposed changes in the nation's neutrality legislation. Col. Lindbergh is on the high seas en route to New York from Paris where he left his wife and son.

Earlier, Senator Walter F. George, Democrat of Georgia, indicated Col. Lindbergh also would be asked to appear before the Senate Foreign Relations Committee. Senator Morris Sheppard, Chairman of the Senate Military Affairs Committee, said the famous American airman probably would be asked to report to his committee on the latest aviation developments in Europe.

Democracies Favoured

Administration supporters in the Senate Foreign Affairs Committee today indicated that there was a growing belief that the United States public favours a policy designed to favour the Democracies against the Totalitarian States in the event hostilities break out as hearings on the revision of the neutrality law entered the second week.

Members expected the hearings before the Foreign Affairs Committee to continue into the third week. They also said that there was a growing acceptance of the statement by Mr. Bernard Baruch, former chairman of the War Industries Board, before the committee that there "is no such thing as real neutrality." Because of this there is increasing willingness to consider proposals for furthering the United States' own interests in measures calculated to aid non-aggressors economically. The real issue of the hearings will be to convince isolationists that this is possible without increasing the danger of the United States becoming involved in war, the committee members said.

Senators generally believed that the Gallup poll, which showed that 82 per cent. of U.S. citizens favour the selling of food supplies to Britain and France and 66 per cent. favour the selling of war supplies to these two countries, is highly accurate.

Some Congressional circles here believe President Roosevelt either will come out openly in favour of Senator Key Pittman's proposed changes in the Neutrality Act or authorize a delay in the entire programme if isolationist strength appears strong enough to kill or radically alter the Pittman plan.—United Press.

U.S. Public Opinion Changes

New York, Apr. 9.

Interesting statistics on a poll of American public opinion in regard to international affairs, were revealed here today. This poll disclosed that the American people are increasingly favouring the extension of U.S. supply facilities, arms and ammunitions, to France and Great Britain.

The increase is particularly noticeable since the Munich Accord. Before Munich last September, only 57 per cent. of the people favoured the despatch of food supplies to the European democracies. Last month, this percentage was raised to 78 and today it stands at 82.

The percentage of people favouring the despatch of arms has also increased. Only five per cent. were of this opinion before Munich, but last month and today, seventeen per cent. of the population advocates such action.

Moreover, sixteen per cent. of the U.S. people favour the depatch of expeditionary forces to Europe in the event of war. The percentage was only five before Munich. It decreased slightly in the past month, however, for in March the percentage was seventeen.—Havas.

President Concerned

Warm Springs, Ga., Apr. 9.

President Roosevelt left here for Washington by special train today after completing his fortnight holiday which was constantly interrupted by critical developments in Europe.

As the President left for Washington his close advisers said he was frankly concerned over immediate threats of a general world conflict. He will confer with the Secretary of State, Mr. Cordell Hull, immediately. Speaking from the rear platform of his train before leaving here, the President told a small group of his Georgia neighbours that "I'll return in the Autumn if we don't have war."—United Press.

Rome Ignores Rebuke

Rome, Apr. 9.

Indifference was manifested in Italian political circles today when despatches from the United States reported the text of Mr. Cordell Hull's declaration condemning Italy's action in Albania. These quarters stated that the United States has no right to deal with questions concerning only Italy and Albania.

The Italian Press completely ignored Mr. Hull's statement, which he made at Washington yesterday after a telephone conversation with President Roosevelt in Warm Springs, Georgia.—Havas.

London Observation

London, Apr. 9.

London welcomed with satisfaction the statement made yesterday by U.S. State Secretary, Mr. Cordell Hull, when he condemned the Italian invasion of Albania.—Havas.

Polish Requisition Decree Published

Warsaw, Apr. 9.

The "Official Gazette" today published a decree permitting the authorities to requisition, in case of mobilization or urgent necessity, all private means of transport and all private wireless sets. All persons under 60 years of age needed to manage the requisitioned means of transport, may also be mobilized.—Havas.

U.S. May Be Drawn Into World War

Totalitarian Drives And Economic Policy Ruining Free Trading

New York, Apr. 10.

The "New York Herald-Tribune" this morning finds little good in the international situation following Italy's conquest of Albania. The paper wonders if it is still possible to save peace in Europe.

"Peace seems only possible if things go no further than their present point. "Last week, the democracies quickly burned their bridges behind themselves. But they still can, and in this resides their very great asset, permit themselves to stop. Can the totalitarian states do so too? Is it possible, for reasons of safety abroad and domestic existence, that the bellicose 'dynamic' nations call a halt at the present point, announce the end of heroic 'wars' and conquests worthy of a circus and have their populations live within the limits of their precarious economic systems? A superficial reply would be that it is possible, but difficult to imagine. Is it possible, on the other hand, for France and Great Britain to alter their policy again? Perhaps, but it would be extremely difficult at present."—Havas.

Washington Opinions

Washington, Apr. 9.

The European situation is considerably worse following the latest coup by the totalitarian powers, political quarters here stated today in reviewing general aspects of Continental affairs.

These circles, including those closely connected with the White House, declared that the dictatorships are now financially hard pressed and with no relief yet in sight. Herr Hitler declared in his last speech that he would not delay action until the "encirclement" of Germany was completed, and the invasion of Albania was regarded here as the first positive act to check the extension of the Anglo-French policy of aid to the smaller nations. Encouraged by the success of Italy's occupation of Albania, Germany may now decide to put to the test Anglo-French determination to cede no more, before the anti-aggression front is consolidated.

A coup against Silesia would entail no more risk than unilateral action against Danzig and would yield "more interesting" results.

New Lessons Learned

State Department quarters drew from Italy's invasion of Albania a number of lessons. They stated that Berlin and Rome are now acting in close co-operation, both diplomatically and strategically, to prevent the formaion of the anti-aggression bloc envisaged by Mr. Neville Chamberlain. They also anticipate continued strong Italo-German pressure, possibly even direct aggression, against those nations still hesitant in their attitude towards the Axis or already turning towards the Anglo-French proposals.

The risks involved in such Italo-German action, they concluded, will either result in a general conflict or else in the rapid and vast extension of Fascist and Nazi political and economic domination in all regions not immediately within the sphere of the Western Democracies.

Spain's adherence to the Anti-Comintern Pact and the Berlin-Rome Axis is a factor of prime importance in the extension of totalitarian methods and principles across the Atlantic to South America.

Trade War Consequences

Disastrous social and economic consequences arising out of extension of the influence of totalitarian commercial methods, were emphasized today by a member of President Roosevelt's entourage who was believed to be expressing the Chief Executive's own opinion.

According to the White House and the State Department, the whole world is veering rapidly towards a conflict between the two irreconcilable economic systems of the Democratic and the Totalitarian countries.

In presenting the problem under the guise of economics, the White House spokesman, it was believed, wished to show the American people that the threat so often pointed out by the President and the Secretary of State, Mr. Cordell Hull, is actually approaching. This threat may soon imperil the United States' economic and social systems, it was stated.

Italy's invasion of Albania is no isolated incident but a new stage of great import in the general trend of autarchic policies, the same source concluded.—Havas.

Japanese-Arabian Talks For Oil Supplies

Cairo, Apr. 10.

Current negotiations for the completion of an Arabian-Japanese commercial and friendship treaty are not causing concern in British circles here although they are regarded as symptomatic of recent efforts by the Totalitarian Powers to obtain a footing in Arabia at the expense of the British. The Japanese, it was pointed out, explain that they need an independent oil supply which they hope to get from recently discovered wells in Arabia.—United Press.

Japanese Admit Detention of "About Ten Ships"

Vessels Mostly Portuguese, Others Greek, Navy Spokesman Reveals; Illegal Transfer Alleged

THE detention of "about ten ships" of Portuguese and Greek ownership, the majority flying the flag of the first-named nationality, was admitted at the Japanese press conference last night by a Navy spokesman, who stated that the vessels were being detained at Woosung and other points outside Shanghai so that investigations could be carried out by the Japanese authorities into the status of the ships.

Reports had been made of the seizure of the ships, the spokesman continued, and it appeared that they were being detained following investigations into their status. There were ample grounds, he added, to believe that their transfer had been illegal and they would be held pending the result of the investigations.

Continuing, the spokesman stated that there had been other instances where ships had flown the flags of third party Powers and had been registered in the name of third party nationals while actually they were being operated by their old Chinese owners. Even the crews were being paid by the former owners, he added.

Among the seized vessels there had been one ship which had been flying a third party flag but which did not carry a certificate of registration, he stated. All the ships were Greek and Portuguese, with the majority of them sailing under the latter flag.

The question of charter, continued the spokesman, was very difficult to describe as it involved several points of International Law. It was known, however, that in some cases a whole ship had been chartered by a foreign firm while the former Chinese owner retained an interest. Each case would have to be tried on its merits, he stated. It was difficult to generalize but recent investigations had proved conclusively that there was a brokerage trade being carried on in Shanghai for the selling of flags. People, he added, were selling registration to Chinese owners and making a business out of it.

Kowshing Sinking Recalled

"There have been cases where vessels of this type have been caught in the act of transporting arms, "he continued. "The Japanese cannot ignore these practices." Asked if an indemnity would be paid to the owners of a vessel if the registration was found to be correct, the spokesman stated that there had not been any instances of foreign ships being stopped and mistakes having been made over their detention.

Questioned about the chartering of the vessels, the spokesman stated that the detention of the ships recalled the case of the steamer Kowshing which was a British vessel chartered to Chinese owners during the Sino-Japanese war in 1894. While transporting troops under the British flag she had been sunk by Admiral Togo and the sinking had been regarded as legal by the British authorities, he added.

Asked if the same procedure could be carried out today as there had been no declaration of war as there had been when the Kowshing was sunk, the spokesman stated that the circumstances surrounding the detention of the vessels had been investigated by Japanese legal experts and the seizures were in keeping with their findings. Here he jocularly added "In view of recent tendencies to carry out military operations without a declaration of war these questions become more and more complicated."

No Seizure of American Ships

The spokesman stated that he had no knowledge of the seizure of a British steamer at Tungshan, off the coast of Kwangtung, on April 8. In connection with the seizure of the ships a call had been made by the Portuguese Consul in Shanghai on the Japanese Consul, he stated, but as far as he knew there had been no protest.

A report stating that three ships of the Chinese-American steamship Co., three other vessels of different Portuguese companies, and three motor transport junks were being detained at Woosung by the Japanese authorities was read by a correspondent, who asked the spokesman if he had received any information in connection with the seizure of three American-owned vessels belonging to the first-named company.

Replying, the spokesman said that he had not heard of the seizure of any American-owned ships but as far as the junks were concerned they flew many flags.

The steamers in question included the ss. Don Pedro and the ss. Don Juan of the Chinese-American Steamship Co., it was stated, while other vessels also detained included the ss. Maria Madarida, owned by the Maria Steamship Navigation Co., the ss. Liz Pao, a ship registered with the Portuguese Consular authorities, the ss. Dragon of the Portuguese Steamship Co., and three motor transport junks belonging to Portuguese companies.

Passengers Landed

The passengers of the ss. Liz Pao had been allowed to land in Shanghai, the report continued, while passengers and cargoes on the other ships were still being detained although they were being well-treated. The Liz Pao was proceeding from Ningpo to Shanghai and was detained while passing through Chusan Island, it was stated.

In connection with the detention of the Portuguese ships a protest has bene lodged by the Portuguese Consular authorities it was ascertained yesterday and the release of the vessels has been asked for. The Chinese-American Steamship Co. is registered at the American Consulate where the matter has been reported. Most of the steamers, it was added, were engaged on the Shanghai-Wenchow run and were carrying general cargo and a few passengers. Yesterday evening the ss. Liz Pao was berthed at Buoy No. 18 on the Pootung side of the river with the rest of the ships at Woosung.

Flying Japanese Flags

According to Chinese reports yesterday the detained Portuguese steamers were forced to fly Japanese flags during their return from the Chekiang coast where they had been stopped by the Japanese. One of them—the ss. Liz Pao—had been allowed to proceed to Yangtzepoo to disembark passengers but eight others were still at Woosung. One passenger, it was stated, had been arrested and the Portuguese Consular authorities were reported to be negotiating for his release.

Stated to be a merchant, the arrested passenger was said to have aroused suspicion by wearing an old militia uniform. Other passengers in the eight detained vessels were not allowed to go on shore and at first it was feared that they would run short of food but reports circulated yesterday stated that a plentiful supply was being provided by the Japanese authorities.

The boats were halted by the Japanese authorities near Tinghai last week and under the escort of Japanese war vessels they returned to Woosung where they were detained. There were about 2,000 passengers on board these vessels.

Japanese Slain by Chinese Bandits

Truck Held Up By Three Men Near Tazang; Gunmen Escape Pursuing Party

Dragged from a truck in which he was riding with two others, Mr. Seizo Iwau, 41-year old Japanese proprietor of the Santo Yoko, a building materials contractor, was the victim of an attack by three Chinese armed bandits near Tazang, close to Shanghai, at 9.30 o'clock on Sunday morning, the Japanese press reported yesterday. Carried to the Foomin hospital in an unconscious condition, he succumbed to his wounds a short time later.

On his way from Tazang to Lotienchien, west of Paoshan, to purchase some iron plates, Mr. Iwau, accompanied by a Mr. Chang, a Chinese iron broker, and a truck driver, approached a bridge spanning a creek two kilometres from Tazang, when three Chinese, emerging from beneath the bridge, halted the truck at the point of pistols, the reports said.

Pulling the victim from the truck and routing his two terrified companions, one of the armed men fired a shot at the Japanese, the bullet entering the right side of his back and emerging near his right breast, according to the papers. Another terrorist fractured the victim's head with a blow to the right side of his head with a heavy iron weapon.

Another Party Arrives

Following the attack, the Chinese remained on the scene of the crime, apparently waiting to victimize another Japanese, it was reported, when two Japanese in the employ of the Daido Kumi, a contracting firm, accompanied by several Japanese soldiers attached to a telegraph unit, approached the scene. Noting their approach, the Chinese fled, pursued by the Japanese, who fired ten shots in the chase. The bandits, however, made good their escape.

The Japanese notified the Tazang defence headquarters, which immediately dispatched some troops to conduct a search for the escaped Chinese. The victim was rushed to the Foomin hospital but he died from his wounds shortly after noon. Policemen of the Japanese Consular Police crime section began an investigation of the crime at once.

Wrist Watch Stolen

All possessions of the victim were left on the body, except a wrist watch, which had apparently been stolen, as the strap of the watch was left dangling on the wrist of the injured man. In the absence of other signs of robbery, it was believed the crime was of an anti-Japanese terrorist nature. Besides the head wounds and the bullet wound in the chest, scratches and marks on the face indicated that a furious struggle had taken place, the Japanese police revealed.

A native of Ogura, in Fukuoka Prefecture, Kyushu, Mr. Iwau came to Shanghai on December 30 of last year. He had been residing at the Konsenso, a Japanese boarding house on Scott Road. He opened an office on the fifth floor of the Bank of East Asia at 299 Szechuen Road. The victim is survived by his wife and a boy, who live in Japan, the Japanese press stated.

Peru Withdraws From League of Nations

New York, Apr. 10.

Peru has announced that she has given notice of withdrawal from the League of Nations, but that she will continue to collaborate with the League's technical bodies such as the International Labour Office. Peru is the tenth Latin American country to resign from the League.—Reuter.

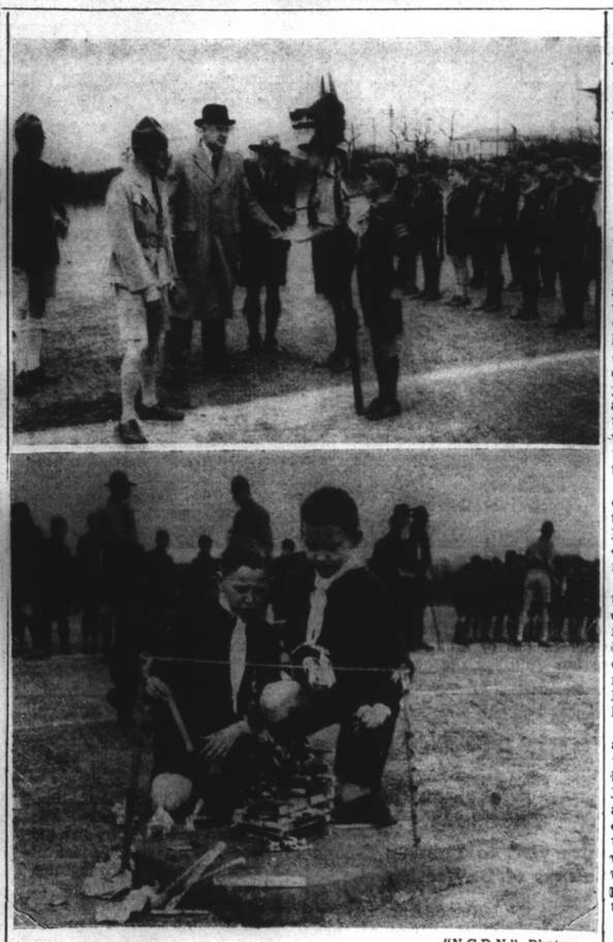
Japanese Navy Seizes British Ship

Hongkong, Apr. 10.

The British steamer Sagres, with Captain J. M. Morren in command, was seized on April 8 by the Japanese Navy off the Fukien coast while it was proceeding to Foochow from Amoy with a cargo of salt, it was learned today.

The Sagres was "taken into custody" to Baku in the Pescadores for verification of its right to fly the British flag, it was reported. H.M.S. Thracian left for Swatow to file protest with the Japanese naval authorities over the seizure, authoritative sources said.

Williamson & Company, owners of the vessel, said that the Douglas Steamship Company had chartered the vessel two years ago. Officials of the company said they expected the "Sagres" to be released soon.—United Press.



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Wolf Cubs Hold Easter Rally at Kiaochow Park

The upper photograph shows Mr. A. H. Gordon, Asst. District Commissioner of the Boy Scouts Association Council, Mr. W. J. Silvey, Asst. Commissioner for the Cubs, and Mr. G. E. Marden, vice-president, of the Association, conferring with Scout leaders during the meet. The lower photograph was taken during the firelighting competition.

Chinese Wins Long Fight for Liberty

Lawyer Freed of "Squeeze" Charges After Twenty Months in Detention

A man who has been staying in the detention quarters of court for fully one year and eight months and fighting his legal battle in the Supreme Court has finally been exonerated and set free. The happy man is Kiang Chao-chou, a Chinese lawyer who was arrested about two years ago in Nanking and brought before the First Special District Court here for trial.

He was sentenced to three years and six months' imprisonment by the district court convicted of having settled judicial disputes outside the court in order to "squeeze" large sums of money to his own advantage. Another man who was arrested in Shanghai in connection with the same charge was Sun Shao-ching, a former police detective.

Sun was arrested by Loh Lien-kwei, late chief Chinese detective attached to the Settlement police who was assassinated last year. Sun was sentenced to five years' imprisonment but he appealed against the judgment. He died in the prison while appealing.

It was then alleged in court that both accused had been engaged in settling many legal disputes outside the court by persuading parties to the disputes not to refer their grievances to court. Asking for large sums of money they were alleged to have settled many legal disputes. Many people dissatisfied with their marital relations had their cases settled by them, it was alleged. Soon both accused became very wealthy, it was stated.

With Sun the case was a closed one for he died last summer but Kiang steadfastly denied the charge. He filed an appeal with the Second Branch Kiangsu High Court but his appeal was rejected. He then filed another appeal with the Supreme Court which, being dissatisfied with the original judgment, referred the case back to the high court for a re-trial. The high court has just ruled that Kiang is innocent and set him free. But Kiang had already lost his freedom for twenty months.

Mr. Wang Ching-wei Said in Shanghai

Secret Arrival from South Reported by Chinese Press

Chinese press reports quoting arrivals in Hongkew stated that Mr. Wang Ching-wei had secretly arrived in Shanghai. He was said to be staying in Hongkew but it was admitted that it was difficult to obtain confirmation. It was pointed out, however, that it was very probable that Mr. Wang had arrived here because several of his subordinates had been active here.

Recent reports were to the effect that apart from doing propaganda work in Hongkong, Mr. Wang's subordinates, many of whom are good writers, have come to Shanghai to publish a magazine. The magazine which was said to be entitled "Protest" has published articles amplifying Mr. Wang's peace proposals.

Several Chinese public bodies in Shanghai have telegraphically petitioned Chungking asking that Mr. Wang should be arrested. The latest petition was reported to have been sent by the Shanghai Wharf Coolies, Union.

BRIG. J. A. H. Gammell, who now commands the 4th Infantry Brigade, has a remarkable record, After 15 years' service as a "gunner," including the war, he became a "foot-slogger" in the Cameron Highlanders. This change of arms is very rare, but will be less rare in the future, for the powers-that-be are encouraging changes which give the widest knowledge of Army work. In a few years interchange of duties between officers of the Three Services, Navy, Army, and Air Force, and the various arms of those Services will be frequent.

Wolf Cubs Hold Rally At Kiaochow Park

Ten Packs Participate In Easter Meet

Due to the fact that the Jewish pack, which had previously scored the highest number of points for the competition, was not able to send a full team to the Easter Wolf Cub Rally which was held yesterday afternoon in Kiaochow Park, The Fraser Shield will not be awarded until the winners meet the Independents, Pack No. 3, and the Western District Public School Pack No. 9, who were runners—up, in a second meeting to be held on the grounds of Gonzaga College on Sunday morning.

Following the Rally and Grand Howl which opened the meeting, the flag was raised and the ten packs which participated were inspected by Scout officials. The various competitions were then begun with Mr. A. H. Gordon, Asst. District Commissioner of the Boy Scouts Association Council, and Mr. H. C. Crickmer acting as judges.

Troops competed first in the firelighting contest, in which they were to light a fire and burn through a rope which was stretched horizontally about eighteen inches above the ground. This competition was won by the Independents, Pack No. 3.

Pack No. 4 Wins Knotting Relay

Teams of four Cubs from each Pack then participated in a Knotting Relay in which it was necessary to tie a bowline, sheet bend, clove hitch, or reef knot. This contest was won by the Telephone Company Cubs, Pack No. 4.

After the Independents had won the Kim's Game in which Scouts were given one minute to memorize the names of 20 small articles shown on a table and five minutes to make a list of the articles on paper, tea was served to the hungry lads and the spectators.

The Cubs next competed in a signalling drill which consisted of a two-way coded message in semaphore. The Independents also took the honours in this competition. The last contest in which certain drill orders given the Cubs were to be obeyed only when prefaced by the phrase "O'Grady says" was won by the Catholic troop.

At the conclusion of the games, the combined troops formed a huge circle and participated in two jungle dances, the Tabaqui Dance and the Dance of the Shere Khan's Death. After the Sunday morning meeting for the awarding of the trophy had been announced, the flag was lowered and the lads dismissed.

Gambling Den Bombed Off Jessfield Road

Nobody Injured; Thug Escapes

A hand-granade was thrown into the premises of the Sheng Kee gambling den situated in Chi Kong alleyway off Jessfield Road at about 7 p.m. on Sunday, according to information gathered yesterday. No one was injured as fortunately, the missile was flung into a room unoccupied at the time. The building being in "Ta Tao" territory, policemen of the "Greater Shanghai" police, assisted by Japanese gendarmerie, investigated the case.

The perpetrator of the terrorist bombing managed to escape and, whilst no information on the subject was available yesterday, it was presumed that he was a guerilla, it being recalled that some time ago guerillas warned gambling and opium dens in the western outskirts of Shanghai that drastic action would be taken, if these establishments continued to function.

It is also possible that the grenade was thrown by a thug employed by a competitive gambling establishment, although it is known that for some time a great deal of competition and discontent has existed amongst the various operators of these dens.

It was not believed that Settlement police investigated the case as the scene of the bombing lies outside their jurisdiction.

Five Rescued from Blazing House

Firemen Save Caught Victims As Wine-Shop Goes Up in Flames

Five Japanese, a man, his wife and their three children were saved from almost certain death at about 4 a.m. yesterday when firemen of Hongkew station managed to get them out from their rapidly burning house at 120 Quinsan Road. Spectators gasped and held their breath as only the screams of the near-victims and the cracking of burning wood were heard. A jumping sheet was stretched out and a ladder placed against the wall of the building, the ground-floor of which was already completely destroyed as was the staircase leading to the first floor.

Meanwhile, the unfortunate occupants of the house were told not to jump as they were being rescued. Firemen climbed the ladder and, at considerable risk, managed to get all five persons to safety.

The fire originated downstairs in the Yu Ye Wine store, where several casks of wine had caught fire and, notwithstanding the seriousness of the blaze, the flames were brought under control in less than 40 minutes, the machines leaving the scene one hour later when all danger of re-ignition had been removed.

The firemen had hardly been back at their station an hour when they were summoned to a blaze which had broken out in House 4, Lane 105 Point Road. It took the brigade over an hour to quell the flames, the causes of which are being investigated as the house in question, which was completely gutted, was unoccupied at the time. The firemen prevented the spread of the flames to adjoining buildings.

Pacific Junks Return: Reason Unknown

Tai Ping Ties Up in River After Two Days

The Diesel-motor equipped Ningpo junk Tai Ping which sailed from Pootung on Friday on a proposed non-stop trip to San Francisco, was yesterday reported to have returned to the Yangtze, tying up at the Tungsha light ship just before 6.30 p.m. on Sunday, according to passengers aboard an incoming oil-tanker, which arrived in port later in the evening.

The reason for the sudden return is unknown, it being presumed that either some illness aboard or some defect in the machinery may be responsible, as according to all accounts, weather along the coast was reported to have been fine since Friday.

The junk, which is owned by Mr. F. D. Mortimer, is under the command of Captain John Anderson, Mrs. Anderson, Mr. Ivan Zurak, Mr. Zvonka and three experienced Chinese junk-men, forming the complement of the crew.

The Tungsha lightship at which the junk is reported to have tied up, is some eight miles outside Woosung.

$70,000 Old Notes Confiscated

Peiping Apr. 9.

The search of Chinese entering or passing through the Legation Quarter and in other parts of the city has resulted in the confiscation of $70,000 worth of old legal tender notes, according to local Japanese reports. The local authorities have petitioned the "Provisional Government" asking for instructions as to means of disposing of the old currency.—Reuter.

OBITUARIES

Senator J. Hamilton Lewis

Washington, Apr. 9.

Senator J. Hamilton Lewis, Democrat of Illincis, died here today from a heart attack at the age of 75. He entered the Garfield Hospital this afternoon after returning from Chicago where he had participated in the election campaign of the mayor of Chicago.

Reports from Chicago said speculation was rife as to the successor to the late Senator, but Mr. James Slattery, chairman of the Commerce Commission; Mr. Thomas J. Courtney, the State's Attorney, and Mr. Martin J. O'Brien were mentioned as likely candidates for the vacancy.

Senator Lewis had the distinction of being the only member of Congress to have served two different and widely separated areas in the nation's legislature. He served as Congressman-at-large from Washington, 1897 to 1899, and as Senator from Illinois from 1913 to 1919. He was re-elected in 1930 after a colourful campaign waged against Mrs. Ruth Hanna McCormick, Republican candidate.

This unique record was only one of the many eccentricities to which Senator Lewis laid claim. His unusual manner and his famous "pink" whiskers, which changed to a mild gray recently, probably served to obscure to a large extent in the public mind an extensive record of achievement.

Long and Varied Career

Senator Lewis was born in Danville, Va., May 18, 1863. In his youth his parents moved to August, Ga., and after an early education there he went to the University of Virginia, where he spent four years in the mellow atmosphere of Thomas Jefferson's scholastic ideal.

In 1889 Senator Lewis took up the practice of law in Seattle, Wash., and served in the territorial senate. Later he went to London as a member of the joint high commission of Canadian and Alaskan boundaries for the presentation of north-west claims.

In 1892 Senator Lewis ran for governor of Washington but was defeated. Later defeats followed when he ran for the governorship of Illinois, and for the re-election in 1900 he was mentioned for the Democratic vice-presidential nomination but in both instances he was nosed out by others.

During the Spanish-American war he served in Cuba and Porto Rico and acquired the rank of colonel.

In the Wilson administration he was held in high esteem by the executive branch of the government. He had previously become well-known on the continent and during the World War was sent abroad on numerous confidential missions. Since then he served as an attendant attache at the Genoa, Lausanne and Geneva international conferences.

His election in 1930 was on a wet-dry issue in which he espoused the anti-prohibition cause.—United Press.

Mr. H. L. Wise Wood

New York, Apr. 9.

Mr. Henry A. Wise Wood, inventor of the modern printing press machinery and a well-known writer, died here today at the age of 73.

He invented the autoplate, a machine for making printing plates for newspapers heretofore made by hand, for which he was awarded in 1908 the Elliott Cresson gold medal by the Franklin Institute. He also invented numerous mechanism for the printing art, one of which doubled the speed of the modern newspaper printing press and another which replenished paper-rolls of newspaper presses at full speed.—United Press.

Dr. Goebbels Continues Trip in Near East

Istanbul, Apr. 10.

The Reich Minister of Propaganda and Public Enlightenment, Dr. Joseph Goebbels, is expected to arrive here on Wednesday from Rhodes on his current vacation tour. He probably will visit Ankara before flying back to Berlin near the end of the week, it was understood.—United Press.

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COMMERCE AND FINANCE

Shanghai Power Co. Report

Stock Dividends Paid Regularly and to Date; Increased Cost of Operation Substantial

THE 1938 annual report of Shanghai Power Company, which includes a statement of income and a summary of earned surplus for the twelve months ended that date. In addition, the report contains pertinent property, service and general statistics. All financial figures in this report are stated in terms of Chinese dollars, unless otherwise indicated. The results of the operations of your Company for the twelve months ended December 31, 1938, are shown.

Dividends on your Company's Silver Preferred Stock have been regularly paid quarterly from date of issuance. Dividends on the U.S.$7 Cumulative Second Preferred Stock of the Company have been paid in full to September 30, 1937.

Financing During 1938

There was no new financing during 1938. During the year, holders of a further $473,900 principal amount of the First Mortgage Debentures 5½ per cent. Dollar Series due 1973 accepted the Company's offer to enter into an agreement to convert their debentures into First Mortgage Debentures 5½ per cent. Chinese Dollar Series due 1973, which debentures, if and when issued, will be essentially similar to the first-named debentures, except that they will be payable as to both principal and interest in Chinese dollars, local currency. The holders of over 99.35 per cent. of the total principal amount of the debentures have accepted the proposal.

Reserves

The balance sheet on pages 8 and 9 shows that the Company had reserves amounting to $15,680,391.41, an increase of $4,663,073.79 over the total reserves as of December 31, 1937. These reserves are made up of the following: Property retirement reserve $10,285,325.47; foreign exchange reserve $3,833,015.09; casualty and insurance reserve $284,844.53; employee pension and retirement reserve $444,000; uncollectible accounts reserve $406,810.20; inventory adjustment reserve $274,396.12; dividend equalization reserve $100,000; general reserve $50,000.

Earned surplus of the Company at the close of 1938 amounted to $10,980,452.89.

Property Additions and Changes

The policy of maintaining the Company's physical property in good operating condition was continued. During the year expenditures for ordinary maintenance and repairs amounting to approximately $1,722,000 were made, and, in addition, the Company appropriated $1,500,000 from current earnings for the property retirement reserve, which, after providing for property retirements during the year, increased the balance in the reserve to $10,285,325.47. Improvements and additions to the property to meet the new business of the Company required the expenditure of approximately $1,887,000 during the year.

As of December 31, 1938, the Company had outstanding commitments aggregating approximately $5,350,000 for plant equipment on order in connection with a new 15,000 kilowatt high pressure and high temperature unit with boiler and auxiliaries the installation of which was temporarily suspended following the 1937 incident. To meet such commitments, which were made in foreign currencies prior to the 1937 incident, and for other corporate purposes of the Company, foreign currencies were purchased. While such foreign currencies were heavily drawn upon in 1937 and 1938 during the period of reduced earnings, nevertheless the balance remaining is adequate to meet the beforementioned commitments. The difference between the cost in Chinese dollars of such foreign currencies and the Chinese dollar equivalents at the rates prevailing when payments were made during 1938, and on the balance unexpended at December 31, 1938, has been credited to Foreign Exchange Reserve.

In addition to the foregoing, during the year $530,557.79 was expended upon extraordinary maintenance and rehabilitation work upon property damaged during the 1937 hostilities, which, with $75,633.15 incurred during 1937, makes total expenditures of $606,190.94 for the repair or replacement of property damage. There was also written off during 1937 and 1938 $281,562.55, representing the value of the property destroyed which was not renewed or replaced. All major repairs to put the property of the Company into good working order have been completed, and the physical condition of the system may now be regarded as back to normal.

Growth of Service

The number of customers served by the Company upon significant dates was as follows:

December 31, 1936	78,934
August 13, 1937	99,967
December 31, 1937	57,000 (estimated)
December 31, 1938	64,046

Because of the impossibility of making an accurate count at the time, the number of customers as of December 31, 1937, was estimated in the 1937 report as approximately 67,700. Subsequent investigation has shown that this figure was too high.

The enforced evacuation of civilians from approximately 50 per cent. of the Company's franchise area during the latter half of 1937, while intensive military operations were in process, and the subsequent restrictions imposed by the forces in control of the area throughout the year 1938, deprived the Company of approximately 22,000 customers previously resident within such portion of the Company's area.

The loss of customers from the before-mentioned area has been partly offset by increased services to the remainder of the Company's area. This shifting of the load centre has necessitated substantial capital investment for distribution and transmission facilities.

There has been a gradual but substantial return of customers to the before-mentioned area. Virtually all operable industrial plants have been rehabilitated and placed in service. Many of the workers continue to reside outside of such area and are daily transported to and from their occupations but, within recent months, easier regulations have induced many workers to resume living within the area.

Total generating station output in 1938 was 594,621,399 kilowatt-hours, representing a decrease of 60,189,220 kilowatt-hours below the 1937 output. Graphs showing such outputs for the years 1930, 1934, 1937 and 1938 indicate a significant trend of recovery.

Increased Costs of Operation

The increased costs of operation during 1938 were substantial and unprecedented, preponderantly due to the increase in the cost of coal and to the depreciation in the exchange value of the Chinese dollar. Following the outbreak of hostilities on August 13, 1937, it became increasingly evident that increased costs of operation were inevitable; coal of Chinese origin became increasingly difficult to secure, while the cost of its transportation, including the necessary war risk insurance and handling charges, was abnormal. The effect of the hostilities upon the managed currency of China was adverse.

Pending some clarification of the political, financial and economic factors following the opening of the 1937 hostilities, the Company carried such increased costs and made no attempt to secure any of the relief provided therefor under its franchise. In May, 1938, the exchange value of the Chinese dollar began to fall to unprecedented lows and simultaneously the supply of coal of Chinese origin was limited to the point where it became necessary to purchase approximately 50 per cent. of our coal requirements in foreign markets and in foreign currencies. Moreover, even the coal from Chinese sources is now priced in Sterling. Virtually all materials and supplies utilized by the Company are of foreign origin and are now purchasable only in foreign currencies, at resultant greatly increased prices, while with coal costing approximately 200 per cent. more than before the hostilities, the Company was forced to seek relief in its rates. Pending more complete clarification of the causes and hopeful that some alleviation of such costs might develop, the Company proposed and the Shanghai Municipal Council agreed to a formula of surcharges to existing rates based upon the exchange value of the Chinese dollar.

The surcharge became effective upon bills rendered by the Company for consumption periods ending on or after September 1, 1938.

The U.S. dollar exchange value of the Chinese dollar fell in July from a relatively stable rate of Ch.$1=U.S.$0.29 to Ch.$1=U.S.$0.16 and has since remained relatively stable at that point. Except for brief periods, adequate exchange has been available for our requirements.

Western District Power Company

At December 31, 1937, the above-named company was indebted to Shanghai Power Company for advances aggregating $450,000. The whole of this amount was repaid during the year. On the same date, Shanghai Power Company held notes aggregating $350,000 from subscribers to securities of the above-named company, such securities being held as collateral. By mutual agreements, dated February 17, 1938, between the parties, the before-mentioned notes were cancelled against surrender of the collateral securities.

Service was resumed to the more sparsely populated sections west of the railroad track well in advance of the rehabilitation of properties requiring service. The more densely populated sections east of the railroad were served without interruption during and subsequent to the 1937 incident. Recently there has been a substantial increase in demands for the Company's service.

General

It is with sincere regret that we record the death of Mr. Hsu Sing-loh, who was a valued member of your Advisory Board.

Your Directorate wishes to record its appreciation of the loyal and efficient service which the general management, the department heads and the personnel have unfailingly rendered to the Company.

INCOME

Operating Revenues		$24,959,104.75
Operating Expenses (including taxes)		16,780,773.92
Net revenues from operation		$ 8,178,330.83
Other Income (net):—		
Interest and dividends from Western District Power Company of Shanghai, Federal Inc. U.S.A.	$141,109.37	
Miscellaneous	28,177.78	169,287,1[illegible]
Gross corporate income		$ 8,347,617.9[illegible]
Interest on First Mortgage Debentures	$4,840,000.00	
Other Interest and Deductions	369,219.53	
Total	$5,149,219.53	
Less Interest Charged to Construction	139,526.55	
Net interest and other deductions		5,009,692.9[illegible]
Balance		$3,337,925.00
Property Retirement Reserve Appropriation		1,500,000.00
Balance Carried to Surplus		$1,837,925.00

SUMMARY OF EARNED SURPLUS

Earned Surplus, January 1,	$10,957,677.46
Add Balance from Statement of Income for the Year Ended December 31, 1938 (as above)	1,837,925.00
Total	$12,795,602.46
Less Payments and Expenses in Connection with Endorsements Waiving Silver Clause in First Mortgage Debentures	19,155.28
Balance	$12,776,447.20
Less Dividends on Silver Preferred Stock	1,846,194.31
Earned Surplus, December 31, 1938	$10,930,252.8[illegible]

Notes.—No provision has been made in the above statement for cumulative dividends on U.S.$7 Second Preferred Stock, which at December 31, 1938 amounted to U.S. $[illegible]3.75 (C.N.C. $2,283,937.31 at current rate of exchange).

The equity of Shanghai Power Company in the undistributed profits of Western District Power Company of Shanghai, Federal Inc. U.S.A., for the year ended December 31, 1938, based on audited statements of the latter company, amounted to $[illegible] at December 31, 1938 the equity in the total undistributed profits amounted to $376,571.60.

Japan's Trade Control Policy Criticized

Cotton Magnate Appeals to Government to Take Action

Tokyo, Apr. 9.

An appeal to the Japanese Government to overhaul its "short-sighted" measure for controlling industry has been made by Mr. Shingo Tsuda, president of Japan's largest cotton business, the Kanegafuchi Spinning Company.

Japan's cotton textile industry, he says, has been plunged into confusion since the outbreak of the current Sino-Japanese hostilities because of the various financial control measures taken by the Government, such as restriction on domestic consumption of cotton-goods, the export-import link system, the ticket rationing system for cotton yarn distribution, and restriction on shipments to the yen-bloc areas in Manchuria and North China. Moreover, he adds, local cotton interests have had to suffer from the prevailing shortage of labour.

Although such a state of affairs is quite unavoidable as a temporary phenomenon in wartime, all these control measures, he continues, have not always been enforced effectively and smoothly. Under the link system, for instance, Japanese exports of grey cloth alone have naturally been promoted.

Still worse, he goes on, foreign traders, taking advantage of the regulations providing for compulsory exportation within a definite period of months, hammered down the prices of Japanese cotton piecegoods. The result was that cotton goods exports declined precipitously last year in terms of value.

Japan's cotton textile exports in 1938 totaled 2,180,000,000 square yards valued at Y.404,000,000 as against 2,640,000,000 as against 2,640,000,000 square yards and Y.573,000,000 in 1937, representing declines by 464,000,000 square yards and Y.169,000,000.

The most important reasons for this, Mr. Tsuda states, are the following: the restriction of raw cotton imports and the subsequent shortage of cotton, the boycott by Chinese residents abroad against Japanese goods, the expulsion by Great Britain of Japanese goods from her economic bloc, the recent development of the cotton industry in British India, and the decline of the purchasing power of primary producing countries in the world.—Reuter.

Guns Versus Butter In Australia

Split in the Cabinet Over Insurance Act

Discussing the split in the Australian Cabinet over the National Insurance Act, "The Economist" observes that, fundamentally, the issue is merely the Australian version of the world-wide dilemma of guns *versus* butter. Whereas last year the Commonwealth Budget produced a surplus of £3,500,000, this year it was necessary to impose extra taxes in order to meet the combination of rising expenditure for armaments and other services, with a prospective decline in Customs and Excise.

The journal points out that the Commonwealth Government cannot contemplate a policy of unlimited borrowing, and has already had certain difficulties in the capital market; of the last loan of £8,500,000 at 3⅞ per cent., raised in February, £3,700,000 was left with the underwriters.

This Year's Export Shrinkage

In a country like Australia, internal spending power must depend to a large extent on the proceeds of exports. In 1938-39 the monthly value of exports has been regularly below the corresponding figure for 1937-38. On the basis of export prices at the beginning of the year, it has been estimated that exports, including newly-mined gold, are likely to total at the most £135,000,000, or £19,000,000 less than in 1937-38. It has been estimated that imports will total £125,000,000, a decline of £14,600,000. The realisation of this forecast would give a credit balance of only £10,000,000, which would be quite inadequate to meet the cost of Australia's interest payments, since the interest on Government and local authority debt alone amounts to about £27,500,000 per annum.

"The Economist" points out that some depletion of the Australian banking system's London funds is certainly to be looked for this year, and says: "In the last resort, if the external accounts were to remain seriously unbalanced, the Australian pound might be further depreciated, as an alternative to the stringent internal deflation that would otherwise be necessary; for of all economic specifics deflation is the most unfashionable as well as the most unpopular in Australia."

Stability of Exchange

But, it adds, the Australian currency is still well defended, and the stability of the exchange is not in question at present. On the other hand, the economic outlook is not so unequivocally favourable that heavy social service commitments can be lightly undertaken. The balance is delicate, and can only be preserved with care.

The stability of the Lyons ministry is no more firmly established; its strength in relation to Labour has shown some signs of wilting. The political future, indeed, is very nicely balanced, and which way it will swing is likely to depend largely on the course of economic events in the next couple of years.

Bombay Cotton Market

Bombay, Apr. 8.

Despite the European situation and the threat of an American subsidy, the Bombay cotton market during the past week was more concerned with operations of the bull party than with any external influence.

The sharp narrowing of the spread between Bombay and Liverpool was handicapping the shipment business to Lancashire and the Continent, but there was small enquiry from the Far East.

The recent large scale short covering weakened the technical position of the market, but the "spot" basis was well maintained.—Reuter.

Trade and the Anglo-U.S. Pact

Study of February Trade Returns Show How The Agreement is Stimulating Business

THE Anglo-American Trade Pact came into operation on January 1. It is perhaps premature to attempt to assess its value in terms of hard cash at this early stage. Nor has it yet received any real assistance from an international trading revival, from rising commodity prices or from the re-establishment of political confidence. In view, however, of all the publicity which has been given to another pact—between Great Britain and Germany—it may be interesting to discover from the February Trade Returns what evidence there is that the Anglo-American Pact is stimulating trade between the two countries, says "The Financial Times."

Concessions granted by the U.S.A. covered a wide range of British manufactures and produce. The following table shows the changes in British exports to America of goods presumed to benefit from the pact, by comparison with the first two months of 1938.

Product	Value of U.K. exports to U.S.A. Jan.-Feb. 1938	1939
	£	£
Cotton yarns—		
Grey	17,866	19,895
Bleached	4,834	16,511
Cotton piece-goods	98,790	112,744
Woollen and worsted yarns and manufactures	232,286	341,292
Apparel	69,760	72,131
Footwear	13,126	10,087
Linen, etc.	315,422	497,583
Pottery and glass	37,381	42,561
*Non-ferrous metals and manufactures thereof	19,287	532,493
Cutlery and tools, etc.	33,623	39,155
Machinery	161,067	87,722
Spirits	1,201,410	9[illegible]
Herrings	8,780	14,468

*Rise due mainly to sharp increase in tin imports.

On the whole, the above figures may be considered encouraging, and especially so in the woollen and linen sections. Moreover it should be noted that total exports under practically all heads declined in the first two months of the current year on the comparison with the corresponding period in 1938.

U.K. Concessions

Concessions granted by the United Kingdom to the U.S.A. covered fewer articles than was the case with traffic in the opposite direction. The comparative trend is shown in the table given below.

Product	Value of U.K. imports from U.S.A. Jan.-Feb. 1938	1939
	£	£
Machinery	1,740,803	1,700,181
Metals and manufactures thereof	287,291	467,861
Electrical goods	125,774	113,739
Footwear	63,173	42,117
Tinned salmon	109,219	188,559
Lard	460,459	660,390
Apples	420,035	533,762
Pears	126,467	162,515
Wheat	1,409,551	905,292

Except for metals and foodstuffs no striking changes are revealed in the above list, but, to make the comparison really valid, account must be taken of the fact that aggregate imports into this country have fallen heavily on the yearly comparison. The abolition of the 10 per cent. duty on lard has evidently acted as a real stimulus, but the effects of the abolition of the 2s. a quarter duty on wheat are masked by the prevailing uncertainty in the international wheat markets. The reductions in the Ottawa duties on apples and pears, on the other hand, have clearly benefited U.S. growers.

Laid-up Tonnage

The latest international laid-up tonnage figures compiled by the Baltic and International Maritime Conference reveal a position which, though serious, is not alarming. It is probable, of course, that the position has further declined as the latest available figures are, in certain cases, somewhat antiquated.

When the figures given below are related to the low level of freights—March 18 Chamber of Shipping index shows that last month's index was 6.2 per cent. below the unprofitable February, 1938, level—there may be some feeling of relief that the world percentage of idle tonnage is not higher than that actually shown. Particularly is this true of the British figure. On the other hand, the very small laid-up percentage of the autarchic States points a moral and doubtless adorns a tale of subsidies and special protection.

The Baltic Conference comments on the situation in the following words:—

"The big number of vessels laid-up in Scandinavia and the Baltic countries reflects the plight of shipping and particularly that of the smaller class of tonnage. The few cargoes available and the poor rates of freight offered for them have made an increasing number of owners realize that there is no use in carrying on trading; the vessels have been laid up, and while some will be put into commission again when the timber shipping season commences, there are owners who are determined to keep back their ships until charterers are prepared to offer more satisfactory rates.

A proposal was received some time ago from a group of Finnish owners that the conference should suggest to all members to lay up tonnage until the rates of freight on timber improved. It has not been necessary to publish any such request. Developments have forced owners to lay up their ships anyhow.

Excess Tonnage?

Judging from the percentage of idle tonnage in different countries, it is apparent that the owners in some of them—who, it has been alleged in certain statements published in the shipping Press of late, should have advantages due to low operating costs—also have their worries and, in fact, have difficulties in finding sufficient employment for their vessels.

The quarterly returns for the last four years further prove that the supply of tonnage all the time has exceeded the demand. Consequently, there are also those who claim that it is not more vessels that are needed but more trade."

This final conclusion is undoubtedly the correct one, though it should be added there is always a hard-core of tonnage unemployable except when rates are very favourable. Unfortunately, too, the present state of international politics loudly demands—and especially in the case of the United Kingdom—a surplus of tonnage over and above economic needs.

Canada's Balance Of Payments

Surplus of $188,800,000 In 1938; Receipts from Tourist Traffic Declines

The income of Canada from all external sources exceeded in 1938 the current disbursements of Canadians in other countries by the substantial surplus of $188,800,000, according to the Dominion Bureau of Statistics, whose estimate is quoted in the monthly letter of the Royal Bank of Canada for March. This is the amount by which net external receipts from merchandise, gold and the tourist trade surpassed current payments abroad for interest and dividends, freight and other services, states "The Financial News."

The principal changes in current receipts during 1938, as compared with previous years, were the consequence of reduced credit balance from mechandise exports and the tourist trade. The industrial recession general during 1938 resulted in a reduction in the demand for many leading Canadian exports and generally lower prices, so that the surplus from the trade in commodities declined to $180,500,000, compared with $213,300 in 1937 and the recent peak of $322,200,000 in 1936.

Unfavourable business conditions were also largely responsible for the falling off in net receipts from the tourist trade to $149,000,000, against $170,000,000 in 1937, although the total reported for 1938 was higher than the corresponding figure for any of the three years prior to 1937.

Higher Gold Shipments

These losses were partially offset by the increased value of gold shipments, which, with the record output of 1938, rose to $156,500,000, as compared with $145,000,000 in 1937 and $109,600,000 in 1934.

Net payments on current account in 1938 were slightly smaller than in 1937, amounting to $242,000,000 for interest and dividend payments, $20,000,000 for freight and $35,200,000 for other miscellaneous services. The total paid out on these accounts, however, has been consistently smaller than the total received on account of merchandise and gold shipments and from net tourist expenditures in Canada. In 1938 the surplus amounted, as stated, to $188,800,000, as compared with $218,200,000 in 1937 and $308,500,000 in 1936.

The capital account for 1938 also reveals a contraction in the net outflow of capital. Outstanding among the changes in the capital movements are the reduced outflow of capital for the redemption of Canadian securities—from $177,900,000 in 1937 to $150,000,000—the change in the direction in the international trade in securities, and the apparent increase in the proportion of other capital movements. Net retirements were lower, as the number of issues maturing in 1938 was less than in recent years, and conditions being generally less favourable for re-financing than in earlier years, there was also a drop in the number of issues that were called for redemption.

Buying of Canadian Stocks

The international trade in securities gave rise to a net inflow of capital in 1938, in contrast to a small outflow in 1937. Increased demand for Canadian stocks from the United States and from overseas countries other than Great Britain was the principal source of the net inflow of capital from the trade in securities. This demand was evident during most months of the year, including those when international unsettlement was greatest.

Less complete information is available at this time concerning the group of transactions classified as "other capital movements," but the net outflow of capital under this head has been tentatively placed by the Bureau at a higher level than in 1937.

Statements of the Canadian balance of payments in each of the past five years, the letter observes, display many common characteristics. A balance of credits in the current account, pointing to outward movements of capital, is shown for each year. The principal sources of these credit balances have invariably been commodity trade, gold shipments and the tourist trade, credit balances ruling for each of the three items in every year.

Capital movements likewise display many parallel tendencies throughout the five-year period. In each year the outward movements of capital from the redemption of Canadian securites owned abroad have exceeded inward movements of capital from the flotation of new issues of Canadian securities in external capital markets. Canadian liabilities have accordingly been reduced. Other security transacions (international sales and purchases of outstanding securities), except in 1937, have given rise on balance to inward movements of capital, offsetting in part the reduction in Canadian securities owned abroad resulting from retirements. Other capital movements have been outwards on balance and in increasing volume. These, too, have the general effect of either reducing Canadian indebtedness abroad or increasing Canadian-owned assets outside of the Dominion.

Paris Bourse Review

Paris, Apr. 9.

The past week on the Bourse was dull, with transactions restricted to a minimum, mainly on account of the approach of Easter holidays. A soothing influence was exerted on the market by President Albert Lebrun's re-election, and French stocks were fairly firm. Internationals suffered from the influence of foreign markets, however, and were somewhat depressed.

The week was especially dull at the close following the first reports of Italy's coup in Albania.—Havas.

Berlin Bourse

Berlin, Apr. 6.

The stock exchange today showed a favourable tendency but business was very limited. The fixed interest securities market was equally friendly. Reich Altbesitzanleihe improved by ⅜ to 131⅜.

Call money rates fell by another ⅛ to 2⅜—2⅝ per cent.—Trans-Ocean.

Italian Import Quotas Cut By U.K.

In Order to Reduce Delay In Debt Transfers

Quotas for the importation into Italy of U.K. goods other than coal and of Newfoundland codfish and stockfish are to be reduced in total annual value from 258,000,000 lire to 225,600,000 lire.

The "Board of Trade," in making this announcement on March 14, states that, in order to improve the transfer prospects for debts due to British traders for exports to Italy of goods other than coal, arrangements have been made with the Italian Government for temporary modifications, as mentioned above, of the Anglo-Italian Commercial Agreement of March 18, 1938.

Payments in respect of these goods are transferable in sterling to the British creditors through Sub-Account "D" of the Anglo-Italian clearing, and the quotas established by the Commercial Agreement were designed to adjust the flow of trade to the amount which could be transferred through the Account without undue transfer delay.

Five Month's Delay

"During the latter part of last year, however, the transfer delay in Sub-Account "D" increased, and since November 1938, it has amounted to about five months. This development was due partly to a decline in the value of Italian goods imported into this country, and partly to the fact that Italy's imports from the United Kingdom (excluding coal) were considerably in excess of the prescribed quotas for imports other than coal.

The reduction is designed to check the accummulation of arrears and gradually to shorten the present transfer delay.

Japan Exports Exceed Imports

Tokyo, Apr. 10.

Exports from Japan exceeded imports during the first ten days of April, the Ministry of Finance announced here today. Outward shipments were valued at Y.78,424,000 against imports of Y.68,116,000, according to the announcement.—Domei.

Manila Gold Shares

(Bids in Pesos)

Apr. 10	Closing Prices a.m. Closing	p.m. Closing
Antamok	.35	.335
Atok	.32	.29
Balatoc	8.00	8.00
Batong Buhay	.013	.015
Benguet Consolidated	11.70	11.70
Big Wedge	—	.295
Coco Grove	.35	.35
Demonstration	.13	.125
I X L	.54	.51
Masbate	.13	.125
North Camarines	.51	.51
San Mauricio	1.82	1.76
Surigao Cons., Com.	.21	.22
Surigao Con. Vot. Trust	—	—
Suyoc	.165	.16
United Paracale	.62	.60

Turnover: 256,000 Pesos.
Shares Index: (closing prices) 103.96.
—Reuter.

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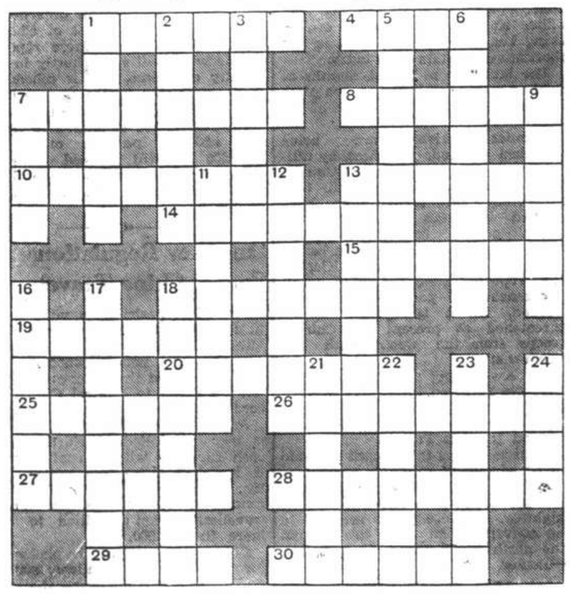

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FROM DAY TO DAY

THE E. and A. ss. Nellore, originally scheduled to arrive in Shanghai today is not expected in port until Thursday April 13.

JOINT funeral services for the crew of Submarine 1-63 which sank off the coast of Kyushu on February 2, will be held at Sasebo on Thursday under naval auspices, the Sasebo Naval Base authorities announced.

A SPECIAL artistic gala concert is being given this evening at the Lyceum Theatre. An excellent programme of songs, duets, sketches, dances and other performances will be presented by Shanghai's leading artists.

ETHIOPIA claims the world's oldest living individual. He is Ligg Affework and he tells everyone he has lived through 185 rainy seasons. He has lived all his life in Wollo, near Lake Haich. Natives in this district attain great ages.

THE exhibition of paintings and wood-block prints by the well known artist, Mr. Pieter Irwin Brown, now being exhibited on the 8th floor of the Cathay Hotel, is well worthy of a visit, his Eastern studies being exceptionally fine.

CAPT. C. Gonzaga, commander of the Italian cruiser Bartolomeo Colleoni now on a visit to Tokyo, was received in audience by the Emperor yesterday morning. Signor Giacinto Auriti, Italian Ambassador to Japan, introduced Capt. Gonzaga, who was accompanied by another officer from the cruiser and the Italian Naval Attache.

TOMORROW is the second anniversary of the opening of the Arcadia and the management is sponsoring a grand gala night. At the same time it will introduce a new floor show to Shanghai, the artistes having arrived from Harbin. Ballet direction will be by Seroff and Manjelei—music by Serge Ermoll's orchestra.

MEMBERS of the American Women's Club are reminded that Mrs. C. H. Westbrook will give the second of her series of lectures on "Porcelains of the Ming and Ching Dynasties" at the club rooms at 4.45 this afternoon. Mrs. Westbrook will illustrate her talk with a number of authentic specimens of Chinese porcelains.

THE California Honour Students' Association has asked students and administration officials to consider co-operative co-educational dormitories before taking steps to establish a university dormitory system. The association estimates that 5,000 undergraduates are "socially lost" through lack of social facilities which the co-educational dormitories would overcome.

IN addition to the bomb-proof shelters which have been built at Buckingham Palace and Windsor Castle, the Office of Works have been to submit plans for a concrete vault designed to safeguard the royal art treasures. At the present time, those at Windsor Castle are contained in the Long Corridor. They have replaced those taken by Queen Mary to Marlborough House after the death of King George V.

Chinese Offensives About to Begin

Operations Projected on All Fronts

Chungking, Apr. 10.

The much-heralded Chinese general offensive on all fronts, from Inner Mongolia to Kwangtung, has either started, or is on the eve of being launched, it was stated in authoritative quarters here today.

The initiative in the 21 months of fighting which has already taken place has hitherto been in the hands of the Japanese.

Counter-offensives are being launched in four provinces, by Chinese forces, according to Chinese dispatches. In central Hupeh, Chinese troops are reported to have crossed the Han River at over a dozen points, frequently raiding Japanese positions on the east bank.

Chinese forces in north Kiangsi, the reports stated, yesterday morning reached a point northeast of Tachen, which is reported to be threatened at present by Chinese troops from the west, south and north-east.

In Kwangtung province, the Chinese are reported to have recaptured Kongmoon and Kaukong, from where the Japanese are said to have retreated towards Fushan.

Chinese troops in Kiangsu are said to be advancing on Ihing, a town on the west shore of the Tai Lake, on the Nanking-Shanghai-Hangchow highway. Chinese forces are said to be converging on the town from the north, north-east and south-east. —Reuter.

Red Force Defeated

Taiyuan, Apr. 10.

Launching a surprise attack against the 385th Brigade of the Communist 129th Chinese Division, a Japanese column operating in eastern Shansi inflicted an "annihilating blow" to this force in an engagement at a point eight kilometres south of Hoshunhsien, south of the Shansi railway, on Saturday, a brief field dispatch received here today said.—Domei.

Planes Active in Shansi, Shensi

Japanese Army Air Base, Apr. 10.

A Japanese Army air unit on Sunday evening raided Yuanku on the north bank of the Yellow River in southern Shansi and showered bombs on Chinese troops that had crossed the river to advance northward, causing heavy losses.

The same unit raided Yuanku again this morning and blew into fragments several scores of junks loaded with troops that were crossing the river. At Kaolochen, 20 km. north of Yuanku, heavy losses were caused in the ranks of Chinese troops of the Fifth Army marching northward.

One unit took off at 6 a.m. today and flew to Sian in Central Shensi. Encountering no Chinese planes, the raiders bombed the city at will and returned to their base safely.

An Army detachment stationed at Fenglingtu at the southern tip of Shansi within range of the Lunghai Railway across the Yellow River shelled a military train moving eastward on Sunday morning in the vicinity of Tsilitien.

Scoring direct hits, the first Japanese shell blew up the two middle cars of the train, a second blew up the locomotive and a third demolished the last car.—Domei.

New Axis Coup in Balkans Feared

Bulgaria to Join in Defence Bloc; Turks Support General Plan

Bucharest, Apr. 9.

There is speculation in many circles here on the possibility of swift moves by Germany and Italy following the invasion of Albania. It is even suggested in quarters friendly to the Axis Powers that on Herr Hitler's birthday on April 20, Germany will put forward a plan for bringing the whole Balkan peninsula into its "Federal economic system."

In official circles in Sofia it is stated that Bulgaria intends to co-operate with other Balkan countries in their efforts to preserve peace, and add its support to the slogan of "The Balkan for the Balkan People."—Reuter.

Rumanian-Turkish Talks

Istanbul, Apr. 9.

Cancelling his trip to Teheran, M. Gregor Gafencu, visiting Rumanian Foreign Minister, left to return to Bucharest after his conversations today with M. Sukru Saracoglu, Turkish Foreign Minister, who also left Istanbul, bound for Ankara.

"We have agreed that the policy of the Balkan Entente must be resolutely continued with the object of strengthening our bonds with our neighbouring nations," M. Gafencu said today following a meeting with the Turkish Foreign Minister.

"In the light of recent events, we examined the common interests of our two countries in the framework of the Balkan Entente," he added and said there were no formal negotiations, but an exchange of views took place in a very friendly atmosphere.

The results of today's conversations were immediately communicated to Belgrade and Athens, it was learned, and this fact was held to be significant of their true importance.—Havas.

Greeks Show Unity

Paris, Apr. 9.

The Greek Legation here issued a special communique today stating, "Former Greek politicians presented themselves at the Legation today and declared that on their own behalf, and in the name of General Plastiras, in the face of the present situation and the dangers that may arise for Greece, they are ceasing all opposition to their country's Government so that the later, free of all internal preoccupations, may efficiently prepare to meet any foreign threat."—Havas.

Greek People Reassured

Athens, Apr. 10.

"People of Greece! To dispel any anxiety in public opinion the Government declares that it is in possession of all elements necessary to be in a position to assert that the independence and integrity of the country are absolutely ensured. The people of Greece can accomplish their daily tasks in peace with the certainty that their Government is constantly watching over their safety and their honour." This statement, signed by the Premier, Gen. John Metaxas, was broadcast to the people of Greece from the official radio station here today, probably in connection with the rumours of a possible Italian attack against Corfu.—Havas.

Forty Million Dollars For Dyke Repairs

Work of Yellow River Banks To Be Begun Soon

Chungking, Apr. 10.

The Chinese Government will appropriate $40,000.000 to repair breaches in Yellow River dykes east of Chengchow according to Chinese reports. Repair work will start shortly in the vicinity of Fukuo, and is scheduled to be completed before high-water.

Yellow River flood refugees in north Honan are estimated to number 1,200,000 persons, of whom 1,000,000 are still in need of relief. In the city of Chengchow alone, there are 20,000 flood refugees on relief.—Reuter.

Currency Regulations For N. China Travel

Travellers desiring to visit places in north China were advised to carry letters of credit for expenses instead of cash in a notice issued by the headquarters of the Japanese expeditionary Force to Central China, according to the "Tairiku Shimpo."

As the use of National currency is now prohibited in North China, such currency will be confiscated if it is taken there, the notice said. Even if Japanese or Manchoukuo currency or military scrip are carried travellers are not permitted to take more than Y.500.

Chinese currency can be exchanged for military scrip at railway stations in Pukow and Pengpu and the aerodromes at Shanghai and Nanking, if it is accompanied by a certificate showing that it is to be used for travelling expenses.

In exchanging military scrip for notes of the Federal Reserve Bank, which can be done at the railway station and airdrome in Hsuchow, it is also necessary to present a certificate stating that the scrip was issued in Central China.

Italian Marines Attack "Allies"

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attack and the result was that several were injured slightly by flying bottles and chairs before they were able to reach a place of safety. Others fainted and had to be carried into the kitchen by their colleagues or by British and American sailors.

With the fight becoming more and more serious each minute the manager of the Club telephoned for assistance to the Commander of the San Marco Marines in Shanghai with the result that a military lorry under the command of a high officer was despatched with all haste to the scene. Upon arrival the men were quietened and taken away.

A survey of the injuries sustained by the opposing factions revealed that three French sailors were severely injured about the face and were taken away to their barracks. British and American injuries were not severe although all had sustained cuts. The condition of the cabaret girl, who was taken to the General Hospital, was stated to be satisfactory.

Alleged German Troop Movements Said False

Berlin, Apr. 10.

Reports of German troop movements on the Netherlands, Swiss or Danish frontiers published in the foreign press are stated to be untrue. The only troop movements, it is added, are those of units returning from Moravia and Bohemia to their garrisons. It is also denied that Germany has presented new demands to Poland. —Reuter.

Italy Gives Assurances On Corfu to Britain

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called at the Foreign Office during the Cabinet meeting this morning.

A second Cabinet meeting, this time probably of the Inner Cabinet, is to take place this afternoon.

Balkan circles here understand that Rumania is still hesitating to conclude a mutual assistance pact with Great Britain and would previously ask for two conditions: that the Dardanelles be opened to the British and French fleets in the event of a war, and that a mutual assistance pact be signed among Rumania, Turkey and Soviet Russia so as to establish an efficient resistance front in Eastern Europe.

Balkan Mutual Aid Talks

The Italian threat against Greece and Yugoslavia obliged the Cabinet, it is said, to decide that measures should be taken in regard to an eventual Italian action, especially in granting assistance to Greece in general and protecting Corfu in particular. Reports from Athens during the past few days were fraught with concern.

The European situation as a whole was also discussed at the meeting, it being noted that Colonel Joseph Beck, the Polish Foreign Minister, will soon open negotiations with Rumania and Hungary with a view to granting "mutual assurances." Rumania and Turrey are already in official contact with the same object in view.

Diplomatic quarters here term Italy's action in Albania as a formal and outright violation of the Anglo-Italian agreement of April 16, 1938, which provided for the maintenance of the *status quo* in the Mediterranean and for an exchange of information of a military nature. Recently, the British Government reminded Rome that Italian troops in Spain ought to be recalled as the Spanish war is over.—Havas.

Italian Assurances

Rome, Apr. 9.

Formal assurances that Italy will take no action against the strategic island of Corfu, off the Greek coast in the Adriatic, were given today to Lord Perth, British Ambassador, by Count Galeazzo Ciano, Foreign Minister, an informed source disclosed tonight. This same source added that Count Ciano also declared Italy would not in any way infringe upon the sovereignty of Albania.—Havas.

Planes Destroy Railway Material at Nanning

Japanese naval planes dropped 300 bombs in a raid on Nanning in southern Kwangsi on Sunday, destroying a railway yard, stores of railway materials for a new line, military supplies and several godowns, according to a communiqué issued yesterday by the headquarters of the Japanese China Seas Fleet.

All the planes returned safely to their bases despite heavy fire from machine-gun positions in the city, the statement said. The raid was made by the aircraft which carried out a successful attack on Kunming in eastern Yunnan on Saturday.

On Saturday a naval air unit raided Pinyang in southern Kwangsi demolished barracks and strafed and bombed several military motor cars, causing heavy damage, the communiqué continued.

Co-operating with Army forces, naval planes on Sunday raided Lingmen and Lingkow in the central part of Hainan Island and demolished Chinese positions in the vicinities of the towns and military establishments inside them. Two big fires started after the bombardments.

Armed Robbers Active In Settlement

A total of $3,060 in notes, jewellery and clothing was stolen last night during three armed robberies in the Settlement, two of which occurred within the space of ten minutes in the Bubbling Well area.

The first robbery occurred at 7.15 p.m. when four men, two of whom were armed with pistols, held up a Chinese pedestrian on Moulmein Road near Bubbling Well Road and forced him at the point of a pistol to go to Majestic Road where they robbed him of $2,510 in banknotes. No shots were fired and no arrests were made.

In the second robbery two men, one being armed, entered House 5, in Lane 1060 in Avenue Road, and after intimidating the inmates stole jewellery worth $100.

Pootoo Road police are investigating the third robbery which occurred at House 250, Yee Foh Li on Robison Road where, at 10 p.m., five men, three armed, intimidated the inmates and stole money, clothing and jewellery to the value of $450. The robbers, it was stated, spoke Kompo dialect.

Cairo Students Angered By Albania Coup

Egyptian Press Reflects Moslem's Disapproval

SPECIAL TO THE "N.C.D.N."

Cairo, Apr. 10.

The invasion of Albania is causing restiveness among the students of Al Azhar University, a number of whom attempted to strike in order to work up an anti-Italian demonstration.

The Egyptian newspapers reflect the strong disapproval of the Moslem world of Italy's action, and already there are signs of tares and thorns in totalitarian propaganda on the soil of the Near East. This is particularly the case in Syria and Palestine, where Moslem disapproval is unanimous and where Signor Mussolini's claim to be the "Protector of Islam" is being recalled with scorn.—Reuter.

Fire in Hongkew Godown Believed Wilful

A fire which started at 4 a.m. on Monday in a godown at No. 103 Quinsan Road owned by Mr. Ryonosuke Uno, a wine dealer, was believed to have been the work of incendiaries who sought to destroy the offices of the Japanese Residents' Corporation opposite the godown, Japanese newspapers said last night.

Japanese consular police investigating the blaze have arrested a Chinese suspect believed to be connected with it, the papers said.

An empty can which had contained oil used for automobiles and a bottle containing traces of an inflammable liquid were found on the premises, indicating that the blaze was of incendiary origin, according to the journals.

British Cruiser Leaves Mentone Suddenly

Nice, Apr. 10.

The 31,000-ton British battle-cruiser H.M.S. Malaya, anchored off Mentone suddenly left last night for an unknown destination. The warship was to have taken part in an Anglo-French festival arranged in Mentone. —Havas.

AT the age of thirty-six Lady Eleanor Smith, the novelist, has written her autobiography. The thing has been done at an even younger age, but few women writers have crowded as much into the first half of life as the eldest daughter of the late Lord Birkenhead. When she was a baby her father took her almost everywhere he went. Perhaps not to political meetings, but certainly to prize-fights.

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Date and Destination	Per	Reg.	Ord.
TUESDAY, April 11.			
Japan Korea via Nagasaki	Shanghai M.	*20.00	7.15
Aust. N.Z. S.S. India Suez Europe via Suez	Corfu	7.15	9.00
Hongkong and Canton	Corfu	8.30	9.00
U.S.S.R. Europe via Siberia	Shengking	8.30	10.00
Weihaiwei Chefoo Tientsin	Shengking	9.30	10.00
Chefoo and Tientsin	Wosang	10.00	10.30
Nantung	Nantung M.	14.30	15.00
Kiangpei Offices east of Jukao	Liwo	16.30	17.00
Swatow and Hongkong	Szechuen	19.30	20.00
Kwangtung	Szechuen	19.30	20.00
Amoy and Hongkong	Tsinan	19.30	20.00
WEDNESDAY, April 12.			
Formosa via Keelung	Hukuken M.	*20.00	7.30
Tsingtao and Dairen	Dairen M.	8.00	8.30
Tsingtao and Tientsin	Sinkiang	13.30	14.00
Aust. N.Z. and Indo-China	Asama M.	15.00	16.00
Hongkong and Canton	Asama M.	15.30	16.00
Wenchow	Peikan	x 18.30	19.00
Tsingtao Wei. C'foo T'tsin	Hunan	19.30	20.00
THURSDAY, April 13.			
Japan Korea Formosa (Y)	Nagasaki M.	*20.00	7.15
Swatow H'kong Haiphong	Wingsang	*20.00	7.30
Kwangtung	Wingsang	*20.00	7.30
Japan H'lulu U.S.A. Canada Europe via Pacific	P. Coolidge	A 10.00	12.00
Aust. N.Z. and Europe (Y)	Oldenburg	B 15.00	16.00
Hongkong and Canton	Oldenburg	15.30	16.00

* The night before.
A Parcel mail for Honolulu and U.S.A., closes at 16.00 on 12th.
B Parcel mail for Ceylon, Italy, Holland, Germany and other countries, closes at 12.00 on 13th.
X Provisional time—subject to alterations.
Y Superscribed correspondence.

Air Mails

Imperial Airways Service (Hongkong-Bangkok-London and Hongkong-Bangkok-Singapore-Australia) per ss. Corfu, on April 11, at 8 a.m. for registered and at 9 a.m. for ordinary, and due Marseilles on April 23, and London on April 24.

Pan American Airways Service (Hongkong-San Francisco) per ss. Ajax, on April 14, at 3 p.m. for registered and at 4 p.m. for ordinary, and due San Francisco on April 26.

Air France (Hongkong-Marseilles) per ss. Corfu, on April 11, at 8 a.m. for registered and at 9 a.m. for ordinary, and due Marseilles on April 21, and London on April 22.

Neth (K.L.M.) Air Mail Service (Bandoeng-Amsterdam) per ss. Corfu, on April 11, at 8 a.m. for registered and at 9 a.m. for ordinary, and due Amsterdam on April 25, and London on April 26.

Royal Netherlands Indies' Airways K.N.I.L.M. (Saigon-Batavia-Sydney) per available steamer to Hongkong for transmission to Saigon.

Shanghai-Japan Air Mail Service:—Air mails close daily at 8 p.m. for registered and ordinary.

Domestic Air Mail

Air Mails for Nanking per Shanghai-Nanking Air Line close daily at 12.00 (At Yuhang Road Sub-Office daily at 11.30 a.m.)

Air mails for Ningsia, Shensi, Szechwan, Yunnan, Kweichow, Hupeh (Shasi and west) and west thereof are to be forwarded to Hongkong for further transmission by the Hongkong-Chungking plane.

Train Mail

Light mails for or via Pengpu, Wuhu, N.S.R. and Lunghai (east of Chenghsien; Tungshan and Kaifeng) close daily, at 9.30 p.m. Express mails for Nanking and Chinkiang local close daily at 8.45 a.m.

Light mails for Kiangpei Offices west and north of Jukao via Chinkiang close daily at 9.30 p.m.

Light mails for or via Hangchow close daily at 9 a.m. and 9.30 p.m.; for S.H.N.R. daily at 9 a.m.

Light mails for or via T.P.R. and north Pinghan close daily at 9.30 p.m.

Light mails for Hankow, Wuchang and Hanyang by occasional sailings direct to Hankow.

Light mails for or via River Ports beyond Nanchang per available steamer via Yungkia.

Ocean Mails for Europe and America.

Via Siberia by steamer to Tientsin or Chinwangtao for transmission.

Next steamer mails will be closed as follows:—
ss. Corfu, via Suez, April 11, due London May 13.
ss. President Coolidge, via Pacific, April 13, due London May 16.
ss. Ajax, via Suez, April 14, due London May 19.

Weather, Time and Tide

Tuesday, April 11, 1939 (22nd day of 2nd moon)	SICCAWEI April 9 16.00	21.00	April 10 4.00	9.00
Barometer inches	30.22	30.25	30.20	30.24
at 32 F. (variation for 24 hrs.)	0.00	+0.03	—0.03	—0.06
at 32 F. („ „ 12 hrs.)	—0.01	—0.05	—0.02	—0.01
Wind (direction)	E	E	E	E
„ (miles per hour)	18.7	16.8	13.7	15.6
Temperature (Fahr.)	57.2°	51.8°	50.5°	53.4°
Humidity %	54	83	81	86
Nebulosity (0 to 10)	10	10	10	10
Rainfall inches				0.00

Siccawei Abridged Report April 9	Mean 1939	24 hrs. variation	66 years average
Barometer (mean 4 obs.)	30.25	—0.01	30.01
Temp. Min. 43.°2 Max. 64.°6	53.°9	+0.°9	54.°5
Total rainfall January 1 to midnight before last (inches)	9.64	—	8.59

Time and Tide	11/4	12/4	13/4	14/4	15/4
Sun rises at Shanghai	5.33	5.32	5.30	5.28	5.27
Sun sets at Shanghai	18.19	18.20	18.21	18.21	18.22
Moon rises at Shanghai	0.07	0.49	1.28	2.04	2.38
Moon sets at Shanghai	10.55	11.47	12.40	13.32	14.25
Flood makes Shai. 6 to 18	15.14	16.50	5.28	6.55	8.12
Ebb. makes Shai. 6 to 18	8.00	9.10	10.56	12.15	12.42
H.W. W'sung Bar 6 to 18	16.56	6.29	8.18	9.35	10.15
Ht. above LLW. (feet)	7.00	6.75	7.28	7.46	8.30

Passenger Lists

ARRIVALS

Per Wosang, April 9, from **Hongkong and Ports:** Mrs. Thomson, Master Thomson, Misses Thomson, Mr. D. Campbell, Dr. O. Suchanek, Mr. & Mrs. Oliveira, Capt. E. C. Gray, Mr. Weir, Major A. C. Evanson, Major F. W. Crafter, Capt. & Mrs. H. Smith, Dr. & Mrs. Gauntlett, Mr. & Mrs. H. N. Brain, Mr. K. Meissner, Mr. C. Y. Chan, Miss O. Green, Mr. Eckford, Mr. Dahlmann, Master Reeves, Pte. C. Chalmers, Mrs. Thriston, Miss Carson, Mrs. & Miss F. R. Edney & infant, C.Q.M.S. W. Reeves, Mr. H. King, Mr. A. Johnson, Mr. Simpson, Mr. Cuyler.

Per Fausang, April 9, from **Tientsin and Ports:** Dr. Stuart, Mr. P. Wu, Mrs. Li and 3 children, Mrs. Chiang, Mr. Bringert, Mr. V. Lapin, Mr. D. B. Tait, Mr. B. Hancock, Miss A. N. Jacobzy, Mr. Wu Chang Hsing, Mr. Yu Nie Chin, Rev. Father Henry, Misses Rubanovich, Miss Ivanskaya, Mr. Chiesa, Mr. A. A. Carpovich, Sister Ethelwold, Mother M. de Aquin, Mr. Wang Yi Shing, Mr. Chang, Mr. Fong and infant.

Per Wingsang, April 10, from **Tientsin:** Mr. W. B. Christian, Miss E. Bristow, Mrs. R. H. Dennis, Master Greenland, Mrs. G. Slater, Miss L. Esdorf, Mr. D. D. White, Mrs. Z. K. Zang, Master Yang, Mrs. K. B. Chun, Mrs. Nancy Kwong, Mr. P. Ortet, Mr. P. Gaetano, from **Chefoo:** Mr. S. Schulman, Mr. & Mrs. A. Rouse, from **Weihaiwei:** Mr. & Mrs. J. P. Austin.

Vessels Arriving To-day

The following particulars in connection with vessels due to arrive to-day are based upon information available yesterday evening.

From DAIREN: Dairen Maru, with mail, due 3 p.m., Whangpoo Wharf.

From HONGKONG: Hunan, due a.m., B. & S. Pootung. Yatshing, due p.m., Roosevelt Terminal.

Due at Future Dates

All vessels are listed under their terminal port. The first date is that of the ship's departure from that port, and the second is the date she is due to arrive in Shanghai Where a ship's name is duplicated it indicates the port of call last visited.

EUROPE AND STRAITS

From GDYNIA		
Bellerophon	7/3	28/4
Antilochus	4/4	26/5
From COPENHAGEN		
Danmark	1/3	11/5
Africa	1/4	31/5
From OSLO		
Titania	17/2	13/4
Trianon	17/3	20/5
Nanking	28/3	22/5
From HAMBURG		
Regensburg	11/5	16/4
Gneisenau	18/3	21/4
Sauerland	8/4	23/5
Antilochus	8/4	26/5
From BREMEN		
Kulmerland	21/2	17/4
Nordmark	7/3	22/4
Duisburg	21/3	15/5
Sauerland	4/4	23/5
From ROTTERDAM		
Tamara	9/3	25/4
Nanking	4/4	19/5
From ANTWERP		
Franken	24/2	15/4
Abbekerk	20/2	15/4
Glenapp	18/2	16/4
Gleniffer	4/3	29/4
Lippe	23/3	9/5
Serooskerk	20/3	13/5
Glenshiel	18/3	14/5
Glenfinlas	1/4	27/5
Africa	11/4	31/5
From GLASGOW		
Menestheus	25/2	16/4
Agamemnon	25/3	14/5
Sarpedon	8/4	25/5
From LIVERPOOL		
Teiresias	25/2	14/4
Diomed	11/3	21/4
Aeneas	18/3	1/5
Pyrraus	25/3	9/5
Agamemnon	1/4	14/5
Achilles	8/4	21/5
From LONDON		
Carthage	10/3	16/4
Bangalore	4/3	17/4
Hakusan M.	17/3	24/4
Rajputana	24/3	30/4
Haruna M.	31/3	8/5
Glenshiel	1/4	14/5
Ranchi	6/4	14/5
Bhutan	1/4	15/5

From MARSEILLES		
J. Laborde	17/3	15/4
Haruna M.	7/4	8/5
Trianon	8/4	20/5
From GENOA		
C. B'camano	29/3	25/4
Duisberg	7/4	15/5
From TRIESTE		
Arabia	20/2	20/4
Himalaya	20/3	9/5
From PORT SAID		
Gneisenau	1/4	21/4
Danmark	2/4	11/5
Serooskerk	11/4	13/5
From SUEZ		
Nordmark	27/3	22/4
Hakusan M.	31/3	24/4
Bellerophon	28/3	28/4
Gleniffer	30/3	29/4
From ADEN		
Rajputana	9/4	30/4
From BOMBAY		
C. B'camano	10/4	25/4
From COLOMBO		
Hakusan M.	10/4	24/4
Aeneas	11/4	1/5
From PENANG		
Regensburg	5/4	16/4
From SINGAPORE		
Atlas M.	31/3	15/4
Carthage	7/4	16/4
Glenapp	7/4	16/4
Kulmerland	4/4	17/4
Bangalore	8/4	17/4
Arabia	3/4	20/4
From SOERABAIA		
Tjibadak	3/4	20/4
Tjinegara	7/4	22/4
From BATAVIA		
Tjibadak	6/4	20/4
From MANILA		
P. Coolidge	5/4	12/4
Menestheus	6/4	16/4
From SAIGON		
J. Laborde	7/4	15/4
Franken	4/4	15/4
From HONGKONG		
See "China Ports" below.		

AMERICA AND JAPAN

From NEW YORK		
C. Athens	18/2	19/4
Ivaran	25/2	21/4
Malay Prince	9/3	24/4
Agapenor	27/2	25/4
Foylebank	6/3	27/4
Niel Maersk	10/3	27/4
Silversandal	23/3	7/5
Laura Maersk	25/3	10/5
C. Pittsburg	16/3	13/5
Dardanus	27/3	19/5
P. Maersk	8/4	25/5
Chi. Prince	11/4	27/5
From SAVANNAH		
Siversandal	26/3	7/5
Laura Maersk	30/3	10/5
Dardanus	1/4	19/5
From SANTOS		
Atlas M.	13/2	15/4
From VANCOUVER		
Emp. Russia	1/4	17/4
Talthybius	10/4	2/5
From SEATTLE		
Talthybius	2/4	2/5
From LOS ANGELES		
Asama M.	14/3	12/4
Ivaran	20/3	21/4

From LOS ANGELES		
Niel Maersk	1/4	27/4
Tatuta M.	27/3	29/4
From SAN FRANCISCO		
Malay Prince	28/3	24/4
Agapenor	26/3	25/4
From HONOLULU		
Tatuta M.	4/4	29/4
From HONGKONG		
See "China Ports" below.		
From OTARU		
Somali	4/4	17/4
From YOKOHAMA		
Ajax	7/4	14/4
Hakozaki M.	9/4	17/4
From KOBE		
Oldenburg	5/4	12/4
Asama M.	10/4	12/4
Ajax	11/4	14/4
From NAGASAKI		
Nagasaki M.	11/4	12/4
From KEELUNG (Formosa)		
Tyosa M.	15/4	17/4

AFRICA AND AUSTRALIA

From CAPETOWN		
Tegelberg	15/3	22/4
From DURBAN		
Atlas M.	14/3	15/4
From MOMBASSA		
Tegelberg	2/4	22/4
From MELBOURNE		
Nellore	4/3	13/4
Tanda	1/4	11/5

CHINA PORTS

From DAIREN		
Hoten M.	12/4	14/4
Hangsang	13/4	15/4
Talleyrand	5/4	18/4
From TIENTSIN		
Taiseunhong	8/4	12/4
Chaksang	10/4	15/4
From HONGKONG		
Pres. Coolidge	9/4	12/4
Kiangsu	7/4	12/4
Nellore	10/4	13/4
Titania	6/4	13/4
Kwangtung	10/4	14/4
Teiresias	9/4	14/4
Abbekerk	10/4	15/4
Taisang	12/4	16/4
Taiyuan	13/4	18/4

Vessels Discharging

PROTESILAUS. From Gdynia and Continental Ports arrived on April 6, and is discharging her cargo at Holt's Wharf, Pootung. Consignees are requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature. Consignees of "Bulk Cargo" are further requested to send their representative to the Wharf to verify the weight of such cargo whilst being landed. Free storage period expires on April 16, 1939. Damaged cargo will be examined in the presence of a Customs Officer on Tuesday, April 11, at 10 a.m. Claims must be presented within 15 days of vessel's arrival. No insurance effected. Butterfield & Swire, Agents. 11-4

Vessels Leaving

NORTH CHINA COAST

SHENGKING Apr. 11. CHEFOO and TIENTSIN.—From French Bund on Tuesday, April 11, at noon. For freight and passage apply to Butterfield & Swire, Tel. 82020 (French Bund). 11-4

WOSANG Apr. 11. CHEFOO and TIENTSIN.—Sails from Roosevelt Terminal Buoys on Tuesday, April 11, at 1 p.m. Tender from Customs Jetty noon Tuesday. For freight and passage apply Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd. Tel. 15290. 11-4

SINKIANG Apr. 12. TSINGTAO, TIENTSIN and DAIREN.—From French Bund on Wednesday, April 12, at 4 p.m. For freight apply to Butterfield & Swire, Tel. 82020 (French Bund). 12-4

Vessels Leaving

NORTH CHINA COAST

HUNAN Apr. 13. TSINGTAO, WEIHAIWEI, CHEFOO and TIENTSIN. — From French Bund on Thursday, April 13, at 8 a.m. For freight and passage apply to Butterfield & Swire, Tel. 82020 (French Bund). 13-4

YATSHING Apr. 14. TSINGTAO, CHEFOO and TIENTSIN.—Sails from Roosevelt Terminal Buoys on Friday, April 14, at 11 a.m. Tender from Customs Jetty 10 a.m. Friday. For freight apply Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd. Tel. 15290. 14-4

TAISANG Apr. 18. CHEFOO and TIENTSIN.—Sails from Roosevelt Terminal Wharf on Tuesday, April 18. "A" and "B" Saloon Accommodation. For freight and passage apply Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd. Tel. 15290. 18-4

TINGSANG Apr. 20. TSINGTAO, CHEFOO and TIENTSIN.—Sails from Roosevelt Terminal Wharf on Thursday, April 20. "A" and "B" Saloon Accommodation. For freight and passage apply Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd. Tel. 15290. 20-4

SOUTH CHINA COAST

SZECHUEN Apr. 12. SWATOW and HONGKONG.—From French Bund on Wednesday, April 12, at 6 a.m. For freight and passage apply to Butterfield & Swire, Tel. 82020 (French Bund). 11-4

TSINAN Apr. 12. AMOY and HONGKONG.—From French Bund on Wednesday, April 12, at 6 a.m. Calls at Chuanchow for passengers only. For freight and passage apply to Butterfield & Swire, Tel. 82020 (French Bund). 11-4

WINGSANG Apr. 13. SWATOW, HONGKONG and HAIPHONG.—Sails from Roosevelt Terminal Wharf on Thursday, April 13, at 10 a.m. "A" and "B" Saloon Accommodation. For freight and passage apply Jardine, Matheson, & Co., Ltd. Tel. 15290. 13-4

TAISEUNHONG Apr. 14. SWATOW and HONGKONG.—Sails from Roosevelt Terminal Wharf on Friday, April 14. For freight apply Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd. Tel. 15290. 14-4

KIANGSU Apr. 15. SWATOW, HONGKONG, KWONGCHOWWAN, PAKHOI and HAIPHONG.—From French Bund on Saturday, April 15, at 9 a.m. For freight and passage apply to Butterfield & Swire, Tel. 82020 (French Bund). 15-4

CHAKSANG Apr. 17. SWATOW and HONGKONG.—Sails from Roosevelt Terminal Wharf on Monday, April 17. "A" and "B" Saloon Accommodation. For freight and passage apply Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd. Tel. 15290. 17-4

KWANGTUNG Apr. 18. AMOY and HONGKONG.—From French Bund on Tuesday, April 18, at 10 a.m. For freight and passage apply to Butterfield & Swire, Tel. 82020 (French Bund). 18-4

YUSANG Apr. 20. SWATOW, HONGKONG and HAIPHONG.—Sails from Roosevelt Terminal Wharf on Thursday, April 20. For freight and passage apply Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd. Tel. 15290. 20-4

JAPAN

NELLORE Apr. 14. (From Shanghai) MOJI, KOBE, OSAKA and YOKOHAMA.—Mackinnon, Mackenzie & Co., Agents, E. & A. S. S. Co., Ltd. No. 27 The Bund. Tel. No. 11428 (3 lines). 14-4

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CORFU Apr. 11. MARSEILLES, GIBRALTAR and LONDON via HONGKONG, SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO, COCHIN, ADEN, PORT SUDAN, SUEZ, PORT SAID and MALTA.—Last tender leaves Customs Jetty 10.30 a.m. Tuesday, April 11, 1939. Hand packages only accepted by the Tender. Heavy Baggage received into Lighter at Customs Jetty between 2 and 3 p.m. on Monday, April 10, Customs Permit required, for any nailed cases. For Freight and Passage Apply to:—Mackinnon, Mackenzie & Co., Agents, 27 The Bund. Tel. 11428. 11-4

OLDENBURG Apr. 14. GENOA, ANTWERP, ROTTERDAM and HAMBURG via PORTS —(Captain C. Dempwolf), on or about April 14, 1939. For freight and passage, please apply to Hamburg-Amerika Linie, Filiale Shanghai, 20 Canton Road. Tel. 18709. 14-4

AJAX Apr. 15 MARSEILLES, CASABLANCA, LONDON, ROTTERDAM, HAMBURG and GLASGOW.—For freight and passage apply Agents, Messrs. Butterfield & Swire, 21 French Bund. Tel. 82020. 15-4

SOMALI Apr. 18. MARSEILLES, CASABLANCA, HAVRE, LONDON, HULL, HAMBURG, ROTTERDAM and ANTWERP via HONGKONG, SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO, BOMBAY, ADEN, PORT SUDAN, SUEZ, PORT SAID and MALTA.—For Freight Apply to:—Mackinnon, Mackenzie & Co., Agents, 27 The Bund. Tel. No. 11428. 18-4

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AUSTRALASIA

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CHANGTE Apr. 18. (From Hongkong) MANILA, THURSDAY I., CAIRNS, TOWNSVILLE, BRISBANE, SYDNEY and MELBOURNE. For freight and passage apply A.-O. Line Agents, Butterfield & Swire, 21 French Bund. Tel. 82020. 18-4

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Tejo	T'lungkong	I.C.R.N.
Heini	Haimen	G.F.E.
Wusueh	Hsinkong	B.&S.

Yesterday's Departures

Name	Flag	Despatcher
Kanchow	Br.	B.&S.
Alexandra	Br.	Young's Shp.
Kiso M.	Jap.	M.B.K.
Hertha	Ger.	G.F.E.
J'phine Moller	Br.	T.C.C.
Talien	Jap.	Wan Woo
Patti	Ital.	Chang Yuen
Faro	Port.	P.N.&T.
Liwo	Br.	Jardine
Whangpu	Br.	B.&S.
U.S.S. Luzon	Am.	—
River Lugar	Br.	H.G.&R.
Shirogane M.	Jap.	Showa S.
Lilian Moller	Br.	Mollers'
Cockchafer	Br.	—
Kina	Dan.	E. Asiatic
Unita	Nor.	Wallem
Fooksing	Br.	Wha Ying
Nancy Moller	Br.	Mollers'
Yamakaze M.	Jap.	Y.K.K.

Men-of-War in Port

Name	Flag	Type	Berthed
Cardiff	Br.	Cr.	B.N.B.
Peterel	Br.	Gbt.	Y.P.D.W.
Scarab	Br.	Gbt.	Y.P.D.W.
Scorpion	Br.	Gbt.	B.N.B.
Tern	Br.	Gbt.	Y.P.D.W.
Guam	Am.	Gbt.	U.S.N.B.
Isabel	Am.	Slp.	B.N.B.
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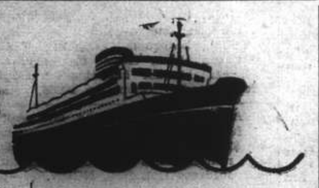

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C	AGAPENOR	May 4	Liverpool, Bromborough and Glasgow
B	MENESTHEUS	May 13	M'lles, Casablanca, London, R'dam, H'burg and Glasgow
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B	MENESTHEUS	Liverpool	Apr. 16	Apr. 17	Japan
B	DIOMED	Liverpool	Apr. 21	Apr. 22	Japan Ports
C	AGAPENOR	New York	Apr. 25	Apr. 26	Japan.
	BELLEROPHON	Gdynia	Apr. 28	Apr. 29	Taku, Dairen and Japan
A	AENEAS	Liverpool	May 1	May 2	Tsingtao Taku and Dairen
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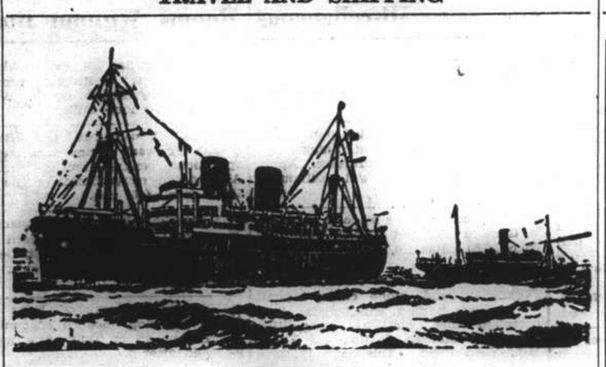

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Sino-Japanese Peace Talks "Out of the Question"

Local Journal Scouts Rumours of Efforts to End Hostilities; British Action Attacked

PEACE talks between Japan and China are "out of the question" until China understands the "true attitude of Japan," the "Tairiku Shimpo" declared editorially yesterday.

"As if in harmony with the turbulent situation in Europe, peace factions within the older régime of China have launched vigorous activities. The war group, in their turn, started attempts to arrest or assassinate Mr. Wang Ching-wei. Dr. Tseng Chung-ming, close associate of Mr. Wang, has fallen a victim to the machinations of the war faction," the daily said.

"Fearing that the desire for peace which is being stressed by Mr. Wang and his followers would deprive the Chinese nation of its enthusiasm to fight Japan, the war faction has been spreading false propaganda alleging that Mr. Wang had been acting in pursuance of a secret treaty which he was alleged to have concluded with Baron Kiichiro Hiranuma, Japan's Prime Minister. Mr. Wang was further charged with high treason and treachery," the paper continued.

"That this kind of counter-propaganda is extremely ridiculous is obvious, even if Mr. Wang's fourth statement did not point it out. By emerging from the Kuomintang fold, Mr. Wang seems to have realized the absurdity of Kuomintang propaganda. Hence his determination not to attempt any further rebuttal.

Intervention Sought

"The aim of the Kuomintang in the present hostilities has been to seek the intervention of third Powers. This fact has been repeatedly and clearly shown by the news organs of the Kuomintang regime, which have invariably been presaging the intervention of third Powers at every turn of the hostilities, such as the fall of Nanchang and Hainan Island.

"The fact is that European powers are busily engaged in preventing their neighbours' turmoil from spreading to themselves. Since Italy's invasion of Albania, Britain, France and the Soviet Union are struggling to regulate international affairs from the standpoint of their own interests.

"Because of the European fire now raging, the Powers' arms supply and financial assistance to Chungking are being reduced. Possibly irritated by this trend, the Chungking régime is attempting to make exaggerated gestures, which are only gestures and nothing more.

Japan's Views Unchanged

"However, Japanese principles are not to be influenced by either the peace or war views of the Chinese. Japan's reason for making the statement that she would not deal with the régime of Gen. Chiang Kai-shek was due to the fact that his régime had not rectified its policy of reliance on third Powers, which was aimed at causing Japan to withdraw from China because of international intervention. The régime has not changed its anti-Japanese stand, depending solely on expected interference from third Powers.

"It should be remembered," the Japanese journal went on, "that this attitude of the Chiang régime has continued to this day without the slightest change. It should also be borne in mind that we had better turn a deaf ear to a peace move which, born of opportunism and utilitarianism, advocates that 'the sooner peace is concluded, the better conditions would be offered to China.'

"Peace talks are out of the question until China understands Japan's real attitude, and of its own accord rectifies the wrongs caused by her collaboration with the Communists and warfare against Japan.

"If the whole question is based upon these premises, Japan should not hesitate to consider a cessation of hostilities, which she is carrying on for the sake of justice.

Britain Attacked

"Attention should be drawn to the fact that, considering it in the light of international relations, while China is still waiting for third Power intervention, Britain, France and the Soviet Union are actually intending to intervene against Japan.

"No matter how big a bluffer Gen. Chiang is, he would probably be brought seriously to reconsider what course to pursue, if the assistance of these third Powers, headed by Britain, were to be abandoned for good.

"The direction in which the Powers' sympathetic to China are moving is clearly shown by the fact that Kuomintang leaders are visiting Paris, London, and Moscow, in search of pillars to support their tottering mansion in China; and that British and French diplomats have been going to Chungking for secret conferences with Gen. Chiang.

"Here we must realize again that the present warfare is not being fought simply against China.

"It is none other than Britain, which is struggling to suppress the rise of European Powers against the maintenance of the *status quo*, and which is striving hard to preserve the *status quo* with the utilitarian attitude which is characteristic of capitalists and land-owners. It is Britain, which is exerting her utmost to maintain the *status quo* in the Orient by placing China in the foreground.

"It is Britain, that by attempting to continue its avaricious monopoly and exploitation in East Asia, which is the ringleader of the disturbers of peace in East Asia. Britain is seeking to suppress Japan's attempt to establish justice in East Asia.

"Britain is the most solid pillar for the Kuomintang war faction to fall back on. It is the most urgent need of the times to make this simple fact known to all the races in the whole of Asia, and in the whole of Europe," the "Tairiku Shimpo" concluded.

Blue Food Stamps Planned in U.S.

Relief Wages May Be Paid Out Partly in Coupons for Surplus

Washington, Apr. 9.

The Federal Government will place before the nation's grocers a new proposal to subsidize the purchase of surplus foods by relief clients. The programme will be outlined to a committee of food retailers and if it is approved by them, will be initiated in five or six large industrial cities about April 15, it was said.

Under the plan, which is still only in tentative form and subject to last-minute revisions, relief clients would be permitted to take part of their pay in food stamps. A previous provision making this mandatory was eliminated.

Under the revised programme the relief clients could take all of their pay in cash or part in cash and in organge-coloured stamps which could be exchanged at any grocery store for food. Those who take orange stamps also would be given blue stamps equal to one-half the value of the orange stamps, which would have the effect of increasing their compensation by the amount of the value of the blue stamps. The blue stamps, however, could be exchanged only for surplus food products and could be obtained only by those who accept part of their wages in orange stamps.

Improving Living Standards

Sponsors of the proposal predicted that if it is adopted it will enable relief clients to increase their purchases of food by one-third, improve living standards and reduce farm surpluses. The experiment will be conducted jointly by the Agriculture Depratment, the Works Progress Administration and other agencies. On the basis of present relief rolls the plan may eventually enable some 20,000,000 persons—approximately one-sixth of the population—to increase their purchases of food.

The experiment will be financed with funds of the Federal Surplus Commodities Corporation, which has approximately $60,000,000 available annually for purchasing farm supplies and removing them from the market. Technically some $145,000,000 of subsidy funds are available for use by the corporation, but a considerable part of this amount has been diverted by Congress to other purposes. The fund constitutes 30 per cent. of customs receipts.

Officials said there would be no restrictions on grocers under the plan, except that the stamps would have to be honoured at face value in the purchase of foods. No effort would be made to set prices on food. Grocers would continue to purchase their food supplies through present channels.

The only government control of the plan would be the week-to-week announcement of which foods were surpluses. These surpluses would be displayed prominently in all stores and would be sold to all customers at the regular price.—United Press.

"Two Madmen and Two Damned Fools"

King Zog Denounces Both Dictators and Democrats

Skolpje, Yugoslavia, Apr. 9.

King Zog, banished monarch of Albania, bitterly condemned the Totalitarian and Democratic governments in a statement handed the United Press before he left Florina yesterday for Salonika.

"The war continues," the King declared. "Our soldiers are still holding some important towns. The Albanians are being attacked and they are still fighting. But they can only attempt to hold their own. The Royal Family have no plans beyond going to Salonika.

"There are in Europe two madmen who are disturbing the entire world—Hitler and Mussolini. There are in Europe two damned fools who sleep—Chamberlain and Daladier. If British ships at Corfu had only fired one shot, none of us would have had to flee."

The statement was issued through the King's Minister of Court Ceremonies.

Meanwhile the Albanian Royal family was reported to have left Salonika for Larissa, Thessaly, where they will stay at the Hotel Panellinion awaiting improved weather and the recuperation of Queen Geraldine who gave birth to a son last week.—United Press.

Primate of England Accused by Nazis

"Anti-Nazi Agitation" and "Bolshevik Tendencies"

Berlin, Apr. 9.

Nazi Church leaders have "severed all relations" with the Archbishop of Canterbury, accusing him of "anti-Nazi agitation and Bolshevik tendencies," announces a statement published today in the official Church gazette and signed by Dr. Werner, President of the Supreme Council of the Evangelical Church, various Church presidents and Bishops.

The statement says that according to newspaper reports, the Archbishop of Canterbury has declared himself in favour of the co-operation of Great Britain with the Soviet Union, and has tried to form a united front of all Christian Churches under the leadership of the Pope against the so-called German menace.—Reuter.

German Air Experts to Visit Italian Plants

Berlin, Apr. 9.

Twenty leading technicians of the German Lilienthal Aeronautical Association will visit Italy from April 11 to 19 as guests of the Italian Aida Aeronautical Society. The German experts will visit several aviation plants in North Italy, accompanied by representatives of the Italian Air Ministry. They will pay brief visits to Milan, Turin, Pisa, Florence and Rome.—Havas.

New Japan-German Trade Pact Due

Year's Negotiations Bring Basic Accord; Mutual Concessions

Tokyo, Apr. 9.

A new trade agreement between Japan and Germany will be formally concluded within the next few months, the Japanese press predicts.

Negotiations continued for a little over a year and a basic agreement was recently reached. Details will be completed within two or three months. The new agreement, it is expected, will be formally signed by June at the latest.

In recent years, trade between Germany and Japan has been in favour of the Reich. In 1935, Japan sold Y.26,766,000 worth of goods to Germany and bought four and a half times as much from her. In 1938, Japan exported Y.33,015,000 worth of goods to Germany, as against imports from her totalling Y.171,169,000. The proposed trade agreement, it is understood, will bring about more purchases by Germany of Japanese goods.

In negotiations the Japanese pressed for greater concessions from Germany but Berlin pointed out that while her exports to Japan were greater than her imports from Japan, her exports to Manchoukuo corresponded in value to one-fourth of her imports from Manchoukuo. The German authorities, moreover, insisted that Japan should buy more German products, the imports of which are at present restricted by Japan for industrial protection. The negotiations almost reached a deadlock on many occasions, but mutual concessions were made, and a basic understanding reached.

Japanese Exports Favoured

Through the new trade agreement, Japan, it is reported, will be able to ensure an adequate supply of necessary materials and increase her export business, which has been none too favourable recently. At the same time, Germany will be enabled to recover what she has lost in her trade with the Far East.

The principal exports from Japan to Germany include agar-agar, canned and bottled food-stuffs, vegetable oils, buttons, porcelain and earthenware, hat-braids, toys and rayon yarn. The principal imports from Germany are leather, crude nitrate of ammonium, synthetic dyes, woollen goods, paper-pulp, iron and steel, aluminium, motor-cars and parts, electric motors and transformers, machinery and parts, mineral oils, hops, crude sulphate of potassium, photographic prints papers, books and magazines.—Reuter.

Asia Development Board Holds Meeting

Liaison Officers Called To Tokyo to Report

Tokyo, Apr. 10.

With the directors of its four liaison offices in China summoned here for the meeting, the Asia Development Board today held its first conference at the official residence of Baron Kiichiro Hiranuma, the Premier. The conference will last two days.

Baron Hiranuma addressed the inaugural session at 11 o'clock this morning. Lieut.-Gen. Heisuke Yanagawa, I.J.A.R., director-general of the Board, also spoke on the occasion.

Following a luncheon given by the Premier, the conferees met at 2 o'clock to listen to Lieut.-Gen. Yanagawa give an outline of the proposed activities of the Board in the political, economic, and cultural fields in China. A free discussion followed.

Reports will be submitted by various liaison bureau directors at the second session which will open at 11 o'clock tomorrow morning.

Attending the meetings in addition to Baron Hiranuma and Lieut.-Gen. Yanagawa are Mr. Hachiro Arita, Foreign Minister; Mr. Sotaro Ishiwata, Finance Minister; Lieut.-Gen. Seishiro Itagaki, War Minister; Admiral Mitsumasa Yonai, Navy Minister; and Lieut.-Gen. Seiichi Kita, director of the Peiping liaison office; Major-Gen. Takashi Sakai, director of the Mengkiang liaison office at Kalgan; Vice-Admiral Shizuye Tsuda, director of the Central China liaison office at Shanghai, and Rear-Admiral Haruzo Mito, director of the Amoy liaison office.—Domei.

New Market Planned For Hongkew

Hoping to furnish Hongkewites with low-priced foodstuffs, a new market, named the Shanghai Market, comprising 250 stalls, 60 per cent. of them operated by Chinese, will be opened at the intersection of North Szechuen and Darroch Roads on April 25, the "Shanghai Mainichi" reported yesterday.

Most of the stalls will trade in green vegetables, filling a need which has been felt in Hongkew for some time. The lot of "returned" Chinese as well as Japanese will be made easier by the opening of the new low-price market, the Japanese journal said, as it will furnish a price scale for fresh vegetables more in keeping with their household budgets.

Bulgarian Farm Workers For Germany

Sofia, Apr. 9.

Between German representatives and a nominee of the competent Bulgarian authorities, an agreement was reached yesterday providing that several thousand Bulgarian agricultural labourers should be sent to Germany to work on farms in the Reich. This agreement will come into force in the near future.—Trans-Ocean.

Former Woolworth Heiress Sails for U.S.

Southampton, Apr. 9.

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